

HR 1297

LPOE Modernization Trust Fund Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Immigration

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Border Security and Enforcement. (Feb 13, 2025)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Gonzales, Tony [R-TX-23]	R · TX		Feb 13, 2025
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 13, 2025
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 13, 2025
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 13, 2025
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 13, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

LPOE Modernization Trust Fund Act

This bill establishes the Land Port of Entry Modernization Trust Fund and addresses other issues related to U.S. ports of entry.

The bill transfers specified amounts, including a portion of certain collected customs fees, to the trust fund each year. It also requires the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Department of State to collect certain surcharges related to immigration and land border inspections, with a portion of the surcharges to be deposited into the trust fund. DHS may not seek to increase fees to offset the amounts transferred into the trust fund.

Subject to appropriations, the amounts in the trust fund may be used to (1) construct new ports of entry, (2) expand and improve existing ports of entry, (3) procure technology for inspecting and processing traffic passing through ports of entry, and (4) hiring U.S. Customs and Border Protection staff.

DHS must also establish the Land Port of Entry Modernization Oversight Board to advise DHS on how to use the trust fund and to review the trust fund's expenditures.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 13, 2025:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 13, 2025:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, Agriculture, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Feb 13, 2025:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border Security and Enforcement.

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