

HR 706

DHS Biodetection Improvement Act

Congress: 119 (2025–2027, Current)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Strong, Dale W. [R-AL-5]

Party: Republican • **State:** AL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Higgins, Clay [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Jan 23, 2025

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 12, 2025
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 23, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 23, 2025)

DHS Biodetection Improvement Act

This bill directs the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to assess how it has utilized Department of Energy national laboratories and sites for research and development in carrying out DHS missions and to report to Congress a strategy for how DHS will conduct biodetection research and development in coordination with such laboratories and sites.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 12, 2025:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Mar 11, 2025:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H1126)
- **Mar 11, 2025:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: 3/10/2025 CR H1046-1047)
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- **Mar 11, 2025:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 10, 2025:** Mr. Green (TN) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Mar 10, 2025:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1046-1048)
- **Mar 10, 2025:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 706.
- **Mar 10, 2025:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Green (TN) objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.
- **Jan 23, 2025:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 23, 2025:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.
- **Jan 23, 2025:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Emergency Management and Technology.

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