

HR 8897

Improving Travel for American Families Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transp

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Foushee, Valerie P. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		May 19, 2026
Rep. Vindman, Eugene Simon [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Jun 25, 2026

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 14, 2026
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred To	May 19, 2026
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	May 20, 2026
Homeland Security Committee	House	Discharged from	Jun 24, 2026

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Improving Travel for American Families Act

This bill directs the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to establish a pilot program to implement alternative security screenings for passengers traveling with children who are 12 years old and younger.

Specifically, TSA must implement alternative security screening lanes and security screening approaches for passengers traveling with children in order to support and facilitate the ease of travel for these passengers.

TSA must implement the pilot program at a minimum of five airports, with priority given to airports that have a high volume of passengers traveling with children.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 14, 2026:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Jul 13, 2026:** Mr. Garbarino moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 13, 2026:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4395-4396)
- **Jul 13, 2026:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 8897.
- **Jul 13, 2026:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Jul 13, 2026:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4403-4404)
- **Jul 13, 2026:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 398 - 12 (Roll no. 235). (text: CR H4395-4396)
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- **Jul 13, 2026:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 13, 2026:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 398 - 12 (Roll no. 235).
- **Jul 13, 2026:** Considered under suspension of the rules.
- **Jul 13, 2026:** Considered as unfinished business.
- **Jul 13, 2026:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 398 - 12 (Roll no. 235).
- **Jul 9, 2026:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Homeland Security. H. Rept. 119-735.
- **Jul 9, 2026:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 639.
- **Jun 24, 2026:** Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security Discharged
- **Jun 24, 2026:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Jun 24, 2026:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 30 - 0.
- **May 20, 2026:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security.
- **May 19, 2026:** Introduced in House
- **May 19, 2026:** Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.

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