



**One Hundred Sixteenth Congress
Committee on Homeland Security
U.S. House of Representatives
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COMMITTEE ACTION

The Committee on Homeland Security met, pursuant to notice, in open markup session, a quorum being present, on Wednesday, March 13, 2019, in 310 of the Cannon House Office Building and considered the following measures:

H.R. 1232, (Miss Rice of New York) To amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to repeal certain waiver authority relating to the construction of new border barriers, and for other purposes. The “Rescinding DHS’ Waiver Authority for Border Wall Act”.

H.R. 1433, (Mr. Thompson of Mississippi) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve morale within the Department of Homeland Security workforce by conferring new responsibilities to the Chief Human Capital Officer, establishing an employee engagement steering committee, requiring action plans, and authorizing an annual employee award program, and for other purposes. The “Department of Homeland Security Morale, Recognition, Learning and Engagement Act of 2019”.

H.R. 1589, (Mr. Walker of North Carolina) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear intelligence and information sharing functions of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security and to require dissemination of information analyzed by the Department to entities with responsibilities relating to homeland security, and for other purposes. The “CBRN Intelligence and Information Act of 2019”.

H.R. 1590, (Mr. Guest of Mississippi) To require an exercise related to terrorist and foreign fighter travel, and for other purposes. The “Terrorist and Foreign Fighter Travel Exercise Act of 2019”.

H.R. 1593, (Mr. Payne of New Jersey) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a school security coordinating council, and for other purposes. The “Coordinating and Leveraging Activates for School Security Act”.

H.R. 1598, (Ms. Torres Small of New Mexico) To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to issue a strategy to improve hiring and retention of U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel in rural or remote areas, and for other purposes. The “U.S. Customs and Border Protection Rural and Remote Hiring and Retention Strategy Act of 2019”.

H.R. 1639, (Mr. Higgins of Louisiana) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) identification of staffing needs, and for other purposes. The “CBP Workload Staffing Model Act”.

The Committee took the following actions:

H.R. 1232, To amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to repeal certain waiver authority relating to the construction of new border barriers, and for other purposes. The “Rescinding DHS' Waiver Authority for Border Wall Act” was AGREED TO and ordered to be reported with a favorable recommendation, without amendment by a recorded vote of 17 yeas and 12 nays (Roll No. 1) The vote was as follows:

Roll No. 1	
Yeas	Nays
Mr. Thompson of Mississippi	Mr. Rogers of Alabama
Mr. Langevin	Mr. King of New York
Mr. Richmond	Mr. McCaul
Mr. Payne	Mr. Katko
Miss. Rice	Mr. Walker
Mr. Correa	Mr. Higgins of Louisiana
Ms. Torres Small of New Mexico	Mrs. Lesko
Mr. Rose of New York	Mr. Green of Tennessee
Ms. Underwood	Mr. Taylor
Ms. Slotkin	Mr. Joyce of Pennsylvania
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Crenshaw
Mr. Green of Texas	Mr. Guest
Ms. Clarke of New York	
Ms. Titus	
Mrs. Watson Coleman	
Ms. Barragán	
Mrs. Demings	
Total	
17	12

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Thompson of Mississippi that H.R. 1433; H.R. 1589; H.R. 1590; H.R. 1593; H.R. 1598; and H.R. 1639 be considered, the amendments prefiled and

listed on the roster be, adopted; the measures as amended be agreed to; the measures as so amended be ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation; was not objected to.

H.R. 1433, (Mr. Thompson of Mississippi) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve morale within the Department of Homeland Security workforce by conferring new responsibilities to the Chief Human Capital Officer, establishing an employee engagement steering committee, requiring action plans, and authorizing an annual employee award program, and for other purposes.

The Committee adopted H.R. 1433, as amended, by unanimous consent.

The following amendment was offered:

An amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Thompson of Mississippi.

H.R. 1589, (Mr. Walker of North Carolina) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear intelligence and information sharing functions of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security and to require dissemination of information analyzed by the Department to entities with responsibilities relating to homeland security, and for other purposes.

The Committee adopted H.R. 1589, as amended, by unanimous consent.

The following amendments were offered:

An amendment offered by Ms. Clarke of New York (#1) Page 2, line 19 insert “, including critical infrastructure” before the semicolon at the end.

An amendment offered by Ms. Jackson Lee (#2) Page 3, line 6, insert “early detection,” before “prevention”.

H.R. 1590, (Mr. Guest of Mississippi) To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear intelligence and information sharing functions of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security and to require dissemination of information analyzed by the Department to entities with responsibilities relating to homeland security, and for other purposes.

The Committee adopted H.R. 1590, by unanimous consent.

H.R. 1593, (Mr. Payne of New Jersey), To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a school security coordinating council, and for other purposes.

The Committee adopted H.R. 1593, as amended, by unanimous consent.

The following amendment was offered:

An amendment offered by Ms. Jackson Lee Page 3, line 10, insert “and any engagement with stakeholders outside of the Federal Government” before the period at the end.

H.R. 1598, (Ms. Torres Small of New Mexico), To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to issue a strategy to improve hiring and retention of U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel in rural or remote areas, and for other purposes.

The Committee adopted H.R. 1598, as amended, by unanimous consent.

The following amendments were offered:

An amendment offered by Ms. Torres Small of New Mexico (#1) Page 2, line 9, insert “relating to employment in such areas” before the period at the end.
Page 3, line 10, insert “and retention” after “hiring”.

An amendment offered by Mr. Higgins of Louisiana (#2) In section 2(b), insert after paragraph (2) the following: (3) Feedback from U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel who have decided to separate from the agency.

An amendment offered by Mr. Higgins of Louisiana (#3) In section 2(d), in the subsection heading, insert

“AND GAO” after “CONGRESS”.

In section 2(d), strike “and the Committee” and insert “, the Committee”.

In section 2(d), insert “, and the Comptroller General of the United States” after “Senate”.

In section 2, insert after subsection (d) the following: (e) GAO ASSESSMENT.

An amendment offered by Ms. Slotkin (#4) Page 4, line 12, insert “and includes areas along the northern and southern borders” before the period at the end.

H.R. 1639, (Mr. Higgins of Louisiana), To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) identification of staffing needs, and for other purposes.

The Committee adopted H.R. 1639, as amended, by unanimous consent.

The following amendments were offered:

An amendment offered by Ms. Jackson Lee (#1) Page 3, line 25, after “models.” insert “Such status updates shall include information on data sources and methodology used to generate such staffing models.”.

An Amendment offered by Ms. Torres Small of New Mexico (#2) Add at the end the following: 1 (d) INSPECTOR GENERAL REVIEW

A motion by Ms. Underwood that, pursuant to Rule XXII, clause 1, the Committee authorizes the Chair to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to conference with the Senate on H.R. 1232; H.R. 1433; H.R. 1589; H.R. 1590; H.R. 1593; H.R. 1598; and H.R. 1639, or any similar measure, was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A motion by Mr. Rogers of Alabama that, pursuant to Rule XI clause 2(1), Members may have two days in which to file any supplemental, minority, additional, or dissenting views on H.R. 1232; H.R. 1433; H.R. 1589; H.R. 1590; H.R. 1593; H.R. 1598; and H.R. 1639, was NOT OBJECTED TO.