



Fact Sheet on H.R. 4127
Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016

Highlights

- Sustains and enhances critical capabilities to fight terrorism and counter the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction
- Funds efforts to recover from unauthorized disclosures of intelligence capabilities
- Sustains activities in Syria, Iraq, and Afghanistan to continue the fight against the Islamic State, al-Qa'ida, and the Taliban
- Complements the National Defense Authorization Act restrictions on releasing detainees from Guantanamo Bay
- Invests in the resiliency of our national security space architecture
- Provides policy direction on sensitive intelligence operations
- Promotes intelligence integration and sharing through investment in an Intelligence Community-wide information technology enterprise
- Enhances investments in military intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance aircraft
- Funds initiatives to detect and stop cyberattacks and insider threats

This legislation provides the Intelligence Community authorization needed to protect and defend the United States. It supports critical national security programs such as those protecting Americans against terrorism and cyberattacks. The total funding authorized by the bill is consistent with the Bipartisan Budget Act, balancing fiscal discipline and national security.

Passing annual intelligence authorization acts is the most effective way for Congress to exercise oversight over the Obama Administration and helps ensure that the country's intelligence agencies have the resources and authorities necessary to keep America safe.