

Manager's Amendment  
2017 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act

**Report:**

Amendment proposed by Senator Durbin

On page 12 under "Public Reporting of Operational Statistics," strike the first sentence and replace with:

The Committee continues its requirement that the Department submit quarterly Border Security Status reports and data on the deportation of parents of U.S. born-children semiannually, as in prior years.

Amendment proposed by Senator Udall

On page 47, after the last paragraph, insert:

**SPECIALTY UNITS**

The Committee urges CBP to analyze its need for specialty units, including horses and off-road vehicles, and to deploy these units as necessary to improve access along the U.S.-Mexico border.

Amendment proposed by Senator Durbin

On page 69 before "Innovation Task Force," insert the following:

**TSA PRECHECK**

The Committee acknowledges that enrollment in TSA PreCheck is well below TSA's projected enrollment and believes TSA could do significantly more to encourage Americans to enroll in this worthwhile program, which will contribute to airport security while easing the burden on travelers. To encourage and allow increased enrollment, the Committee believes TSA needs to make TSA PreCheck more accessible to the public and directs TSA, when competing or recompeting contracts for the administration or expansion of the PreCheck program, to make certain service fees are fair and reasonable, ensure the number of PreCheck offices reflect the population of the surrounding area, and office hours and staffing are such that offices are regularly open to TSA applicants, including extended hours and weekend availability as appropriate.

Amendment proposed by Senator Reed

On page 71, strike 2nd paragraph under “Explosives Detection Systems” and replace with:

The Committee is disappointed that TSA has not produced the report required in the joint explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 114-113, which directed TSA, not later than 60 days after the date of enactment, to develop a process to review and validate the reimbursement claims from airports for in-line baggage screening systems installed prior to 2008 and a plan for reimbursement of validated claims. The Committee directs TSA to issue the report not later than June 17, 2016.

Amendment proposed by Senators Durbin and Kirk

On page 72 under “Aviation Regulation and Other Enforcement,” insert the following new paragraph after the 2nd paragraph:

When determining the deployment of the 50 additional canine teams to airports, as well as the re-deployment of existing canine teams, the Committee directs TSA to consider passenger volume and risk assessments to ensure resources are deployed in the most productive manner. Additionally, the Committee directs TSA to provide to the Committee within 30 days of the date of enactment of this act the current staffing model employed by TSA in determining the deployment of existing canine teams.

Amendment proposed by Senator Moran

On page 73 under “Airport Management and Support,” add a new paragraph at the end:

The Committee is concerned about the ripple effects of lengthening wait times at the Nation’s airports and the strain that places on both the passengers and airline industry. To better understand the challenges posed by wait times, the Committee directs TSA to report on long-term efforts and contingency plans to predict and respond to changing passenger volumes and how that response can mitigate potential future challenges without compromising security.

Amendment proposed by Senator Moran

On page 137 under “University Programs,” strike the last paragraph and insert the following:

The Committee encourages DHS, when making determinations about how to more effectively allocate resources for academic centers of excellence, to consider competitively establishing centers that focus on cybersecurity research and education as well as on modeling, simulation, and training, and separately, biological threats and animal disease.