

118TH CONGRESS
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S. 2508

To require a report on Department of Defense security clearance process updates, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 26, 2023

Mrs. FEINSTEIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. REPORT ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SECU-**

4 **RITY CLEARANCE PROCESS UPDATES.**

5 (a) STUDY REQUIRED.—No later than 180 days after
6 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
7 Defense shall submit to Congress a report on the status
8 of the updates the Secretary is carrying out to the security
9 clearance process and the methods the Secretary is pur-
10 suing to ensure the security clearance process of the De-

1 partment of Defense continues to protect national secu-
2 rity.

3 (b) CONTENTS.—The report submitted pursuant to
4 subsection (a) shall include the following:

5 (1) A review of the last 10 years of cases of
6 those who held security clearances granted by the
7 Department that were ultimately charged with ter-
8 rorism, espionage, sabotage, sedition, or other re-
9 lated crimes.

10 (2) A review of any existing internal processes
11 applicable to the suspension of security clearances
12 for those individuals.

13 (3) Any policy that may address revocation of
14 clearances of individuals who are found to pose a
15 threat to other members of the Armed Forces or to
16 national security after their clearance process has
17 been adjudicated.

18 (4) Recommendations on enhancing existing se-
19 curity review processes and recommendations for fu-
20 ture new processes to address any gaps identified
21 and lessons learned from the review.

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