

Ensuring Implementation of the 9/11 Commission Report Act

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H.R. 5017 brings **renewed focus to the core recommendations of the 9/11 Commission** and holds the Administration accountable to carry out and document the successful implementation of the Report's policy goals.

To ensure implementation, executive branch agencies are required to:

- **Certify** to Congress that the policy goals of the 9/11 Commission recommendation were implemented.
 - Should the agency be unable to certify proper implementation, agencies are asked to **explain every 30 days** why and recommend what resources are needed to complete the implementation.
 - If certification is made, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) is tasked to **validate** that the certifications are accurate and align with the 9-11 Commission recommendations.
- Homeland Security and Emergency Response
 - Requires risk-based distribution of homeland security funding
 - Provides first responders with the communication equipment and infrastructure they need to communicate.
 - Requires the executive branch to report on the implementation of P.L.108-458 with regards to improvements in government and private sector emergency preparedness, identifying national infrastructure for risk and vulnerability, and enhancements to transportation and border security.
 - Intelligence and Congressional Reform
 - Strengthens the Privacy and Civil Liberties Board
 - Requires the declassification of the top line of the intelligence budget.
 - Requires the executive branch to report on reforms of the intelligence community.
 - Foreign Policy, Public Diplomacy and Nonproliferation
 - Recommends specific initiatives to further enhance U.S. relations with Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Saudi Arabia.
 - Requires identification of Terrorist Sanctuaries and demands coalition strategy in the fight against Islamist terrorism.
 - Requests use of economic policies to combat terrorism and to fight terrorist financing.
 - Ensures proper diplomacy training for Department of State and Foreign Service officials.
 - Supports expansion of scholarship, exchange, and library programs in the Islamic world.
 - Establishes office of nonproliferation in the executive office of the president.