

## Joint Task Force to Counter Illicit Synthetic Narcotics Act of 2025

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## **Background:**

In June of 2024, Rep. Dusty Johnson was appointed to the Fentanyl Policy Working Group within the Select Committee on the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). The Policy Working Group was charged with raising awareness of the CCP's role in the fentanyl crisis following a <u>report</u> which revealed that <u>the CCP</u> is undeniably subsidizing the export of deadly fentanyl into the United States.

In 2023, fentanyl was responsible for nearly 70% of drug overdose deaths in America – a staggering and preventable loss of life.

China has been flooding the United States with fentanyl for years, profiting on the destruction and poisoning of American lives. Getting tough on China includes cracking down on their money-making fentanyl scheme, which is what the *Joint Tast Force to Counter Illicit Synthetic Narcotics Act of 2025* seeks to do.

## Legislation:

This bill establishes a Joint Task Force to counter synthetic narcotics, primarily focusing on opioids like fentanyl.

- The task force will bring together representatives from relevant federal agencies to conduct joint operations, disrupt trafficking networks, and enforce sanctions.
- It will focus on international and domestic coordination, including addressing the role of the People's Republic of China (PRC) in the opioid crisis.
- The task force aims to streamline interagency collaboration, enhance legal enforcement, and report regularly to Congress.

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