

Office of the Sergeant at Arms
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6634

November 18, 2021

The Hon. Theodore E. Deutch
Chairman
Committee on Ethics
1015 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Rep. Deutch:

I write to notify you of a violation of House Resolution 73, on November 17, by Rep. Jim Baird. The Member has a \$5,000 fine. The Member has been advised of the fine and of their appeal rights.

I have included the enclosure from the U.S. Capitol Police describing the failure to complete security screening.

Please contact me at 225-2456 if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,



William J. Walker
Sergeant at Arms

cc: The Speaker
The Honorable Catherine Szpindor, CAO

Attachment: Notification to Rep. Baird

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Notification of a Violation of House Resolution 73

The Honorable Jim Baird
U.S. House of Representatives
1117 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Rep. Baird:

Pursuant to House Resolution 73, I have been notified by the U.S. Capitol Police that you failed to complete security screening prior to entering the House Chamber on November 17, 2021. The details from the U.S. Capitol Police are provided as an enclosure.

As a result of your failure to complete security screening, and as this is the first time that you have not complied with U.S. Capitol Police security screening to enter the House Chamber, a fine of \$5,000.00 is imposed upon you pursuant to section 1(a) of House Resolution 73. As required by the resolution, I am also notifying the Speaker, the Committee on Ethics, and the Chief Administrative Officer.

Please note that upon notification by the Sergeant at Arms of a fine, the Member, Delegate or Resident Commissioner may appeal the fine **IN WRITING** to the Committee on Ethics **NOT LATER THAN 30 CALENDAR DAYS OR FIVE LEGISLATIVE DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LATER**, after the notification.

Please contact Ted Daniel, Assistant Sergeant at Arms for Chamber Operations, at 225-2456 if you should have any questions or require clarification of the rule.

Sincerely,



William J. Walker
Sergeant at Arms

cc: The Honorable Nancy Pelosi, Speaker
Committee on Ethics
The Honorable Catherine Szpindor, CAO

Attachment: U.S. Capitol Police notification



UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-7218

November 17, 2021

MEMORANDUM

TO: Inspector [REDACTED]
Commander
Capitol Division (CD)

THRU: Captain [REDACTED]
Assistant Commander
Capitol Division (CD)

THRU: Lieutenant [REDACTED]
Section Commander
House Chamber Section (HCS)

FROM: Sergeant [REDACTED]
Supervisor
House Chamber Section (HCS)

SUBJECT: Unusual Occurrence – Member of Congress bypassed administrative screening.

On Wednesday, November 17, 2021, at 1400 hours, Sergeant [REDACTED] (HCS) was contacted by Officer [REDACTED] (HCS) and advised that a Member of Congress entered the House Floor without going through Security Screening at the East Lobby Screening checkpoint. After responding and meeting with Officer [REDACTED], he stated that Congressman Jim Baird of Indiana, walked around the magnetometer. Officer [REDACTED] stated that he placed his hand on the Congressman's elbow to get his attention and advised him that he needed to go through security before he could enter the House Floor. The Congressman made eye contact with Officer [REDACTED] and proceeded to enter the House Floor.

Officer [REDACTED] & Officer [REDACTED] were also at the East Lobby Screening checkpoint and witnessed the incident. (See Attached CP-319 Witness Statements).

The aforementioned information is captured on the attached Admission/Departure Report (CP-60).

[REDACTED]
Sergeant
House Chamber Section



**UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE
COMPLAINANT/WITNESS STATEMENT**

CP-319
(02/10)

(Please Type or Print Legibly)

1. CAPITOL FILE NUMBER		2. NATURE OF INVESTIGATION MEMBER BYPASSED SECURITY		3. COMPLAINT NUMBER	
4. STATEMENT OF (Last, First, Middle) [REDACTED]			5. DATE OF BIRTH ON FILE		6. SEX <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
7. HOME ADDRESS ON FILE				8. HOME PHONE	
9. EMPLOYMENT (Occupation and Location) USCP POLICE OFFICER				10. BUSINESS PHONE [REDACTED]	
11. LOCATION STATEMENT TAKEN HOUSE CHAMBER EAST LOBBY		12. NAME OF OFFICER TAKING STATEMENT [REDACTED]		13. DATE/TIME 11/17/2021	
14. STATEMENT (Continue on attached sheet if necessary) ON 11/17/2021 AT APPROXIMATELY 1400 AT THE EAST LOBBY OF THE HOUSE CHAMBERS OFC. [REDACTED] WITNESSED OFC. [REDACTED] ATTEMPT TO STOP CONGRESSMEN JIM BAIRD TO COMPLETE SCREENING. OFC. [REDACTED] ATTEMPTED TO STOP THE MEMBER BY TAPPING HIS ELBOW AND REMINDED THE MEMBER THAT HE NEEDS TO FINISH SCREENING. THE MEMBER THEN TURNED TOWARDS THE OFFICER AND CONTINUED TO WALK AWAY FROM THE SCREENING POST, AT EAST LOBBY IN THE HOUSE CHAMBERS. OFC. [REDACTED] WAS POSITIONED INSIDE THE CHAMBER AND SAW THE MEMBER TURN HIS HEAD AND CONTINUE TO WALK ONTO THE FLOOR.					
15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ THIS STATEMENT GIVEN BY ME OR HAVE HAD IT READ TO ME. I FULLY UNDERSTAND IT AND CERTIFY THAT IT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND RECOLLECTION. I UNDERSTAND THAT MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT IS PUNISHABLE BY CRIMINAL PENALTIES.					
16. SIGNATURE OF PERSON GIVING STATEMENT [REDACTED]					
17. DATE ENDED 11/17/21		18. TIME ENDED 1500		19. PAGE OF [REDACTED]	
20. OFFICER OBTAINING SIGNATURE IN BLOCK 16 [REDACTED]					
21. PERSON WITNESSING THE SIGNATURE IN BLOCK 16 [REDACTED]					



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CP-319
(02/10)

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1. CAPITOL FILE NUMBER		2. NATURE OF INVESTIGATION Member Bypassed Security		3. COMPLAINT NUMBER	
4. STATEMENT OF (Last, First, Middle) [REDACTED]			5. DATE OF BIRTH on file		6. SEX <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
7. HOME ADDRESS on file			8. HOME PHONE on file		
9. EMPLOYMENT (Occupation and Location) USCP			10. BUSINESS PHONE on file		
11. LOCATION STATEMENT TAKEN Capitol Detail		12. NAME OF OFFICER TAKING STATEMENT [REDACTED]		13. DATE/TIME 11/17/2021 1400	
14. STATEMENT (Continue on attached sheet if necessary) On 11/17/2021 at approximately 1400, Ofc. [REDACTED] witnessed Ofc. [REDACTED] attempt to stop Congressman Baird to go through security screening at East Lobby of the House Chambers. Ofc. [REDACTED] approached Congressman Baird and stated to the member to complete screening. Member looked at Ofc. [REDACTED] and continued to enter the House Floor.					
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16. SIGNATURE OF PERSON GIVING STATEMENT [REDACTED]			6127		
17. DATE ENDED 11/17/2021		18. TIME ENDED 1530		19. PAGE <input type="checkbox"/> OF <input type="checkbox"/>	
20. OFFICER OBTAINING SIGNATURE IN BLOCK 16 [REDACTED]					
21. PERSON WITNESSING THE SIGNATURE IN BLOCK 16 [REDACTED]					



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1. CAPITOL FILE NUMBER		2. NATURE OF INVESTIGATION Member Bypassed Security		3. COMPLAINT NUMBER	
4. STATEMENT OF (Last, First, Middle)				5. DATE OF BIRTH 06/13/1990	6. SEX <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
7. HOME ADDRESS On File				8. HOME PHONE On File	
9. EMPLOYMENT (Occupation and Location) USCP				10. BUSINESS PHONE On File	
11. LOCATION STATEMENT TAKEN Capitol Detail		12. NAME OF OFFICER TAKING STATEMENT		13. DATE/TIME 11/17/2021 1400	
14. STATEMENT (Continue on attached sheet if necessary)					
<p>On Wednesday, November 17, 2021, at 1400 hours, Sergeant [REDACTED] (HCS) was contacted by Ofc. [REDACTED] (HCS) and advised that one (1) Member of Congress entered the House Floor, without going through Security Screening. After notifying Sergeant [REDACTED] regarding the incident, he responded to Ofc. [REDACTED] post to investigate the matter. After meeting with Ofc. [REDACTED] he stated that he observed Congressman Jim Baird enter the House Floor without going through Security Screening. Ofc. [REDACTED] stated he challenged Congressman Baird by placing his hand on his elbow, and informing him he needed to go through Security Screening at Lobby East, specifically stating "sir you need to go through screening before entering." According to Ofc. [REDACTED], Congressman Baird made eye contact with him, and proceeded to enter the House Floor.</p>					
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16. SIGNATURE OF PERSON GIVING STATEMENT				6989	
17. DATE ENDED 11/17/2021		18. TIME ENDED 1500		19. PAGE OF	
20. OFFICER OBTAINING SIGNATURE IN BLOCK 16					
21. PERSON WITNESSING THE SIGNATURE IN BLOCK 16					

