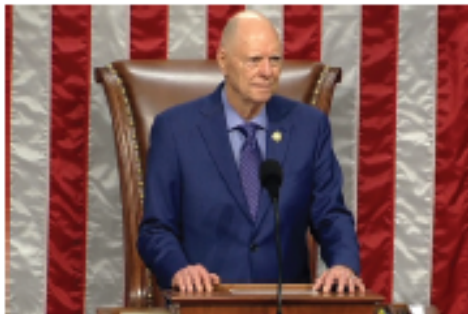


# Legislative Update to Constituents

from U.S. Representative Bill Posey

Florida's 8<sup>th</sup> District

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Congressman Posey presides over the floor debate in the House of Representatives.

Dear Friend,

Please take a few minutes to read about the steps I am taking to protect your Constitutional rights, secure the border, confront China, and hold Washington accountable.

Also, if you could share your thoughts with me on other issues before Congress, I would welcome the opportunity to hear from you. And, if my office can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to reach out at (321) 632-1776.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill".

## Ending Secrecy Around COVID-19 and Future Vaccine Safety & Effectiveness Data

Congressman Posey introduced the *Consumer Vaccine Safety and Protection Act*, ending the secrecy around pandemic vaccines. The bill mandates that the public be given access to all safety and effectiveness data of pandemic vaccines and drugs now and in the future. Current liability protections for vaccine makers and federal government immunity are removed if they fail to make safety and effectiveness data publicly available within 30 days of receiving such data. People have a right to all safety and effectiveness data for vaccines being pushed by manufacturers and the government. Blanket immunity and secrecy is a recipe for disaster. Posey also called on the CDC to reject recommendation of the COVID vaccine for children.

## Posey Supports Legislation Repealing Biden Anti-“Made in America” Rule

Congressman Posey voted for S.J. Res. 38 introduced by Florida Senator Marco Rubio overturning a Biden regulation that waived “Made in America” requirements for building electric vehicle chargers. Posey said that using American taxpayer dollars to purchase Chinese-made EV chargers is flat-out wrong, undermines American manufacturing, and funds the Chinese military-industrial complex.



Posey discusses finance issues with Florida Credit Union employees.

## Posey Bill Combats Federal Overregulation

The *Rulemaking Accountability and Reform Act* (H.R. 5930) recently introduced by Congressman Posey requires federal agencies to clearly cite the statutes from Congress that the agency has relied upon when it proposes new rules and regulations. Posey said that often federal agencies make rules and regulations, enforceable as laws, that go beyond their legislative mandate, and one way we can strengthen our economy and preserve our liberty is by tackling overregulation and executive overreach.

## Posey Supports Legislation to Protect Automobile Choice

With Congressman Posey’s support the House passed H.R. 4468 to protect the American people’s future right to purchase gasoline-powered automobiles. The *Choice in Automobile Retail Sales Act*, or *CARS Act*, prohibits the Biden Administration from implementing its aggressive regulations that would have driven up the cost of cars and mandated over two-thirds of all new vehicles to be electric by 2032. After three years of failed policies pushing electric vehicles, Biden is being forced to back down from electric vehicle mandates.

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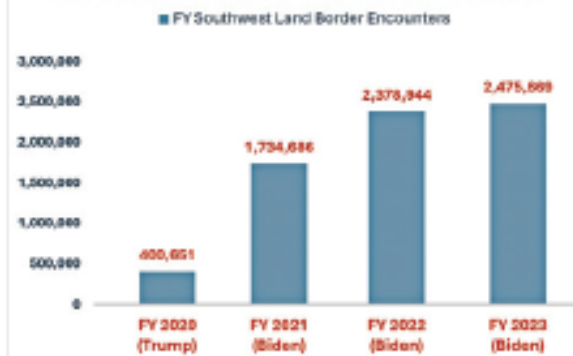
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# ★ Priority # 1: Securing Our Nation's Border ★

## U.S. Border Crisis by the Numbers:

- Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) data shows, since January of 2021, **over 9.1 MILLION** illegal aliens have been encountered at our Southern border.
- According to Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas: "**over 85%** of illegal alien encounters are released into the country."
- January 2024 marked the **35<sup>th</sup> month in a row** where illegal immigrant encounters were higher than the **HIGHEST** immigration month under President Trump.
- The CBP says **4,797 Chinese Nationals** were encountered at the Southern border in November of 2023, an **800% increase** from the year prior.
- A total of **26,113 Chinese, 12,605 Russian, and 659 Iranian nationals** crossed the Southern border in 2022-23.

### SOUTHWEST LAND BORDER ENCOUNTER



• Data from U.S. Customs & Border Protection

CBP data chart displaying the monthly illegal immigration encounters FY 2020-2023.



REP. BILL POSEY  
(R) Florida

Congressman Posey takes to the House floor to defend the Southern border and support border-security-first legislation.

## Holding the Biden Administration Accountable

Congressman Posey has held firm in his belief that President Biden's and Homeland Security Secretary Mayorkas' policies are a dereliction of duty to secure the Southern border and have **cultivated the worst border invasion the country has ever seen.**

- ✓ Cosponsored and voted for **impeachment articles** against Secretary **Mayorkas.**
- ✓ **Authored impeachment articles** against **President Biden**, for the President's continued failed policies at the Southern border.
- ✓ Introduced H.R. 1100, the **SAFE for America Act**, to **eliminate the controversial VISA lottery program** plagued by fraud.
- ✓ Introduced legislation (H.R. 1337) to **allow states to enforce immigration laws** when the federal government refuses to act.
- ✓ **Opposes "Fake" border security bills.**

## Fighting for ACTUAL Border Security

Early last year, Congressman Posey cosponsored and voted for the House-passed **Secure the Border Act of 2023** (H.R. 2) to re-establish successful Trump-era policies that **WORKED** to secure our border, including:

- ✓ Directing the completion of the border wall
- ✓ Upgrading border security technology
- ✓ Increasing the number of Border Patrol agents
- ✓ Targeting the drug cartels and protecting children from exploitation and trafficking
- ✓ Ending controversial "Catch and Release" policy
- ✓ Defunding organizations that encourage breaking our border laws
- ✓ Updating requirements for criminal background checks at the border



Congressman Posey inspects the Southwest border in Nogales, AZ during a fact-finding visit.

For more on Congressman Posey's record, or to schedule a tour of your U.S. Capitol, please go online and visit:

**Posey.House.Gov**

# ★ Disrupting China's Growing Influence ★



Congressman Posey speaks about space policy at a briefing on Capitol Hill and how critical it is to our national security.

“More Americans are joining us every day in waking up to the economic and military threat posed by China and how our dependence on them endangers America's security.”

- Congressman Posey

## Protecting American Research

- ✓ **Defunding Chinese Research:** Leading effort in Congress to block over \$200 billion in American research tax dollars from the National Science Foundation from benefiting China's state-owned companies and military.
- ✓ **More Research Funding Transparency:** Wrote legislation to require more disclosure of foreign involvement in U.S. taxpayer-funded research from countries of concern, like China.
- ✓ **Putting American Students First:** Passed amendment to ensure public post-graduate STEM research grants are awarded only to American students and institutions.

## Defending America's Competitiveness

Last year, President Biden vetoed Congressman Posey's bipartisan bill to stop China from violating our trade laws and dumping their cheap solar products, made with forced labor, in our market. This flagrant disregard of American laws hurts American manufacturers and workers, making us dependent on China for vital needs like energy. **Posey has been leading the effort to protect American jobs and competitiveness.**

- ✓ **Bringing Jobs Back Home:** Introduced legislation to provide tax credits to U.S. companies that bring manufacturing jobs back on our shores.
- ✓ **Protecting the U.S. Power Grid:** Led effort to block Chinese technology from being integrated into our electric grid and telecommunications networks.
- ✓ **Keeping America First in Space:** Introduced bicameral legislation to keep our commercial space industry robust and competitive.
- ✓ **Promoting CCP Transparency:** Passed legislation to make sure China plays by the rules and is transparent in international standards-setting bodies.
- ✓ **Securing America's Supply Chain:** Introduced bipartisan bill creating a commission to secure our critical supply chain.
- ✓ **Ending Our Reliance on Unsafe Chinese Pharmaceuticals:** Introduced bipartisan *Safe Medicine Act* to end our reliance on China for life-saving drugs and protect American patients from contaminated or ineffective pharmaceuticals.
- ✓ **Getting Answers to COVID-19 Pandemic:** Introduced the *Prepare Act* to expose the origins of the pandemic and hold China accountable.
- ✓ **Protecting American Inventors:** Led bipartisan effort forcing President Biden to abandon patent reforms favorable to China.



Congressman Posey delivers a legislative update on our Space Program to students at the Air Force's Air University.

“A critical part of protecting American innovation and economic prosperity is protecting our intellectual property. Too much American research is ripped off by China... I say NO MORE!”

- Congressman Posey

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## ★ Taking On the Washington Establishment ★

### Posey: A Leading Voice for Fiscal Responsibility

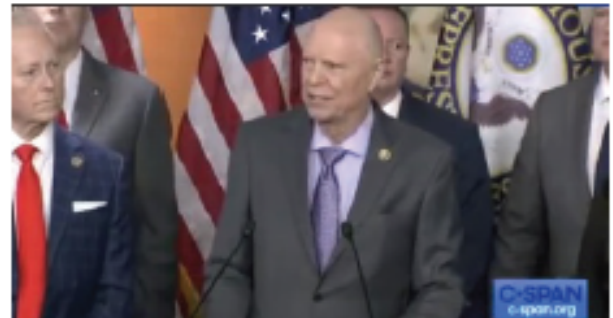
- ✓ Voted against 90 percent of all final spending bills.
- ✓ Cosponsor of a Constitutional Balanced Budget Amendment every Congress.
- ✓ Forced the only Congressional vote on a Balanced Budget Amendment in the past 25 years.
- ✓ Fights to stop bloated omnibus/continuing resolutions and trillion-dollar "stimulus" plans.
- ✓ Earned "**Taxpayer Hero**" Award from Citizens Against Government Waste for working in Congress to stop Washington's reckless spending.

### Posey: National Debt is Growing Threat to America's Security and Prosperity

First, I believe that there shall be NO changes to Medicare or Social Security for those in or near retirement. Like Veterans benefits, these are earned benefits, and the federal government is obligated to pay them.

In 2010, then-Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Admiral Mike Mullen said the national debt was "the greatest threat to national security." At the time our national debt was \$13 trillion. Today it is two-and-a-half times that, and according to the *NY Times*, last year's debt limit deal keeps our nation on a path toward \$50 trillion in debt by 2033, which is why I opposed that deal. The DC Swamp has already proposed legislation to bust the budget deal caps.

Growth of the national debt is driving inflation and the cost of everything. Congress must stop kicking this can down the road and deal with the debt before our nation is bankrupt. This is why I voted against the failed debt-limit deal, trillion-dollar "stimulus" plans, and too-big-to-read spending bills.



Congressman Posey joined other conservatives at a Capitol Hill press conference combatting "lawfare" and condemning weaponized federal agencies.

### House Approves Posey's Amendment to Hold Weaponized Agency Accountable

The House approved Congressman Posey's amendment to hold the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) accountable for wrongfully raiding a local small business and jeopardizing our men and women in uniform deployed overseas. The business supplies our military with important equipment used in the field. In Congress, the EPA has come under scrutiny for crafting regulations that exceed its authority, using militarized enforcement tactics, and refusing to answer questions from lawmakers when called to account.

In a recent hearing Posey challenged the EPA Administrator about the use of heavy-handed enforcement tactics on unsuspecting small business owners and why the EPA needs military-grade weapons and equipment to carry out raids on American businesses. After receiving no explanation, Posey filed and passed his amendment to cut by 50% the office within the EPA that exceeded its authority.



As part of his accountability agenda Posey returns the annual pay raise that was passed before he came to Congress.

### Working to Drain the Washington Swamp

- ✓ Wrote legislation requiring Members of Congress to disclose family ties to foreign interests (H.R. 661).
- ✓ Ending Congress-Lobbyist revolving door by banning retirement benefits for Members of Congress turned lobbyists (H.R. 417) and imposing a 5-year lobbying ban on retired Members and Senior Staff (H.R. 414).
- ✓ Government agency accountability legislation requires federal agency rules to be reviewed by Congress every three years (H.R. 418).
- ✓ Cosponsored and voted for the STOCK Act to stop insider trading in Congress.