

# Democrats Introduced Bill Blocking Border Wall Unless Mexico Pays for It – Which Will Never Happen

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More US political theater: Democratic Representative Sheila Jackson Lee of Texas introduced legislation forbidding construction of a wall on the US-Mexico border unless the government of Mexico pays for it, which will never happen. House Republicans passed a stopgap funding bill that included \$5.7-billion appropriated for a border wall, but everyone knows it cannot pass the Senate. It's just political theater whereby the actors try to look good to their supporters while everyone knows the wall will not be built. - GEG

Democratic Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee of Texas introduced legislation forbidding construction of a wall on the U.S.-Mexico border – unless Mexico pays for it.

Lee introduced the [Protect American Taxpayers and Secure Border Act](#) into the House on Dec. 19, which would “prohibit taxpayer funds from being used to build a wall between Mexico and the United States,” and further require that any barrier constructed on the southern border “be paid for using funds provided by the Government of Mexico.”

She referred the bill to the House Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee on Homeland Security, and already has four cosponsors: Democratic Reps. Karen Bass of California, Marcia Fudge of Ohio, [Joaquin Castro](#) of Texas and Yvette Clarke of New York.

The [Texas congresswoman](#) has remained largely silent on the proposed legislation, as have the bill's other sponsors.

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