

## HR 3181

To establish a temporary moratorium on the issuance of visas for nonimmigrant foreign students and other exchange program participants, to improve procedures for issuance of nonimmigrant student visas, and to enhance procedures for admission at ports of entry to the United States.

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**Policy Area:** Immigration

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 27, 2001

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Immigration

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Oct 30, 2001)

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Establishes a nine-month moratorium on the issuance of nonimmigrant foreign student and other exchange program visas.

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to require: (1) a nonimmigrant visa application or other admission document to contain a machine readable photograph and biometric identifier (such as a fingerprint or handprint) of the alien applicant; and (2) a port of entry match prior to the alien's U.S. admission.

Directs the Attorney General and the Secretary of State to provide for database crosschecks of an alien's photograph and biometric identifier prior to issuance of a nonimmigrant visa.

Amends the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to include information on an alien's accompanying spouse and child as part of the program to collect information on nonimmigrant foreign students and other exchange program participants.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 27, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims.
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