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Agricultural Job Opportunity, Benefits, and Security Act of 2003

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 23, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 2823	Related bill	Sep 22, 2004: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 711.
108 HR 3142	Identical bill	Oct 22, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims.

Agricultural Job Opportunity, Benefits, and Security Act of 2003 - Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security, upon completion of specified agricultural work and residency requirements, to adjust the status of a qualifying alien agricultural worker (and spouse and minor children) to that of a: (1) lawfully admitted temporary nonimmigrant; and (2) permanent resident nonimmigrant.

Sets forth provisions with respect to: (1) adjustment of status applications, including penalties for false statements; (2) waiver of numerical limitations and certain grounds for inadmissibility; (3) temporary stay of removal and work authorization; (4) administrative and judicial review; and (5) dissemination of program information.

Amends the Social Security Act to provide for the correction of such aliens' social security records.

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to set forth registry application requirements for H-2A employers and employer associations, including assurances: (1) that the job opportunity is temporary or seasonal, and is not the result of a labor dispute, (2) that attempts have been made to hire U.S. workers; and (3) respecting required wages and benefits, and compliance with labor laws.

Sets forth employment requirements with respect to: (1) wages; (2) housing; and (3) transportation reimbursement. Establishes the Commission on Agricultural Wage Standards under the H-2A program.

Revises provisions respecting the admission and extension of stay of temporary H-2A workers. Provides special rules for alien sheepherders.

Sets forth worker protection and labor standards enforcement provisions for such aliens

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 23, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 23, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11834-11845)
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