

## HR 3137

CLEAR Act of 2005

**Congress:** 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** House

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Rep. Wamp, Zach [R-TN-3]	R · TN		Jul 27, 2005
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Rep. Beauprez, Bob [R-CO-7]	R · CO		Sep 8, 2005
Rep. Bilirakis, Michael [R-FL-9]	R · FL		Sep 8, 2005
Rep. Harris, Katherine [R-FL-13]	R · FL		Sep 8, 2005
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Rep. Alexander, Rodney [R-LA-5]	R · LA		Sep 20, 2005
Rep. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV-2]	R · WV		Sep 20, 2005
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Rep. Marchant, Kenny [R-TX-24]	R · TX		Sep 20, 2005
Rep. Shadegg, John B. [R-AZ-3]	R · AZ		Sep 20, 2005
Rep. Miller, Jeff [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Sep 27, 2005
Rep. Rogers, Mike J. [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Sep 27, 2005
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		Sep 27, 2005
Rep. Taylor, Charles H. [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Sep 29, 2005
Rep. Barrett, J. Gresham [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Oct 6, 2005
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Rep. Poe, Ted [R-TX-2]	R · TX		Oct 6, 2005
Rep. Putnam, Adam H. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Oct 6, 2005
Rep. Camp, Dave [R-MI-4]	R · MI		Oct 18, 2005

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Rep. McCotter, Thaddeus G. [R-MI-11]	R · MI		Oct 18, 2005
Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Oct 19, 2005
Rep. Blunt, Roy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Oct 19, 2005
Rep. Brady, Kevin [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Oct 19, 2005
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Rep. Rohrabacher, Dana [R-CA-46]	R · CA		Oct 19, 2005
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Rep. Souder, Mark E. [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Oct 20, 2005
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Rep. Boehner, John A. [R-OH-8]	R · OH		Oct 25, 2005
Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31]	R · TX		Oct 25, 2005
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Rep. Herger, Wally [R-CA-2]	R · CA		Oct 25, 2005
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Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-3]	R · OH		Oct 28, 2005
Rep. Emerson, Jo Ann [R-MO-8]	R · MO		Nov 1, 2005
Rep. Hunter, Duncan [R-CA-52]	R · CA		Nov 3, 2005
Rep. Shaw, E. Clay, Jr. [R-FL-22]	R · FL		Nov 3, 2005
Rep. Fortenberry, Jeff [R-NE-1]	R · NE		Nov 4, 2005
Rep. Neugebauer, Randy [R-TX-19]	R · TX		Nov 4, 2005
Rep. Everett, Terry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Campbell, John [R-CA-48]	R · CA		Dec 16, 2005
Rep. Foxx, Virginia [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Dec 16, 2005
Rep. Goodlatte, Bob [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Feb 8, 2006
Rep. Green, Mark [R-WI-8]	R · WI		Jun 9, 2006
Rep. Bilbray, Brian P. [R-CA-50]	R · CA		Jun 22, 2006
Rep. Jindal, Bobby [R-LA-1]	R · LA		Jul 18, 2006

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 23, 2005

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 1362	Related bill	<b>Jun 30, 2005:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR 7/1/2005 S7855-7858)

Clear Law Enforcement for Criminal Alien Removal Act of 2005 or CLEAR Act of 2005 - States that: (1) state and local law enforcement personnel are fully authorized to investigate, apprehend, or transfer to federal custody aliens in the United States (including interstate transportation of such aliens to detention centers) in order to assist in the enforcement of U.S. immigration laws; and (2) a state that does not have a statute permitting enforcement of federal immigration laws within two years of enactment of this Act shall not receive certain federal incarceration assistance.

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to illegal aliens to: (1) establish criminal penalties for aliens unlawfully present in the United States; (2) increase specified criminal penalties for illegal entry and failure to depart violations; and (3) expand the scope of, and increase, civil penalties for improper entry or failure to depart.

Provides for the listing of immigration violators in the National Crime Information Center database.

Encourages states and localities to provide the Department of Homeland Security with specified information about apprehended illegal aliens. Provides federal reimbursement for related State and local costs. (States that such provision shall not require state or local enforcement officials to provide the Department with information related to a victim of a crime or witness to a criminal offense.)

Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security to make grants to states and political subdivisions that enforce immigration laws in the course of their routine law enforcement duties for special equipment and facilities related to arresting, detaining, or transporting illegal aliens.

Directs the Secretary to: (1) construct or acquire 20 additional detention facilities for aliens detained pending removal (or a decision on removal); and (2) consider the transfer of military installations under base closure laws for such purposes.

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to illegal aliens apprehended by state or local authorities to provide for: (1) federal custody upon state or local request; and (2) state or local compensation for related incarceration and transportation costs.

States with respect to an alien subject to removal that the Attorney General or Secretary shall ensure such alien's detention in an adequate (as defined by this Act) state or local prison, detention center, or other comparable facility prior to his or her removal examination.

Directs the Secretary to establish immigration-related training for state and local personnel.

Provides: (1) personal liability immunity to the same extent as corresponding federal immunity for state or local personnel enforcing immigration laws within the scope of their duties under this Act; and (2) civil rights money damage immunity for state or local agencies enforcing immigration laws unless their personnel violated criminal law in such enforcement.

States that the Department shall continue to operate the institutional removal program (IRP), which shall be expanded to all states.

Authorizes state or local detention of an illegal alien after completion of such alien's prison sentence for: (1) up to 14 days to facilitate federal transfer; or (2) until transfer to the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to permanently authorize appropriations for the state criminal alien assistance program (SCAAP).

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 15, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H8067)
- **Aug 23, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims.
- **Jun 30, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 30, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 30, 2005:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Jun 23, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H5078)