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Save Our Small and Seasonal Businesses Act of 2005

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Sen. Voinovich, George V. [R-OH]	R · OH		Mar 14, 2005
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Apr 4, 2005
Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]	D · ND		Apr 4, 2005
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 4, 2005
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	R · PA		Apr 5, 2005
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [D-CT]	D · CT		Apr 11, 2005
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Apr 12, 2005
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Apr 12, 2005
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Apr 13, 2005
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	R · OH		Apr 14, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 10, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 793	Related bill	Apr 4, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims.

Summary (as of Feb 10, 2005)

Save Our Small and Seasonal Businesses Act of 2005 - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to prohibit an alien counted toward the numerical limitation applicable to H-2B nonimmigrants (temporary nonagricultural workers) during any of the three fiscal years prior to submission of an H-2B petition from being counted toward the limitation in the year of petition approval. Makes this provision effective as if enacted on October 1, 2004. Provides for its expiration on October 1, 2006.

Requires the Secretary of Homeland Security to impose a fraud prevention and detection fee on employers filing H-2B petitions. Mandates the deposit of such fees into the Fraud Prevention and Detection Account.

Authorizes additional penalties for a substantial failure to meet any condition of an H-2B petition or the willful misrepresentation of a material fact in such a petition.

Requires the allocation of the numerical limitation on the issuance of H-2B visas (currently, 66,000) such that the total number of H-2B nonimmigrants entering the United States during the first six months of a fiscal year is not more than 33,000.

Amends the American Competitiveness and Workforce Improvement Act of 1998 to require the Secretary to submit to the Committees on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives and the Senate information regarding: (1) the numbers of aliens granted H-2B status or terminated from H-2B status, on a quarterly basis; and (2) the countries of origin, occupations of, and compensation paid to aliens granted H-2B status, the number of aliens terminated from such status, and the number of aliens provided such status during both the fiscal year reported and the preceding fiscal year, on an annual basis. Requires the Secretary of State to provide information relevant to such reports.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 13, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3533)
- **Feb 10, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 10, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1280-1281)
- **Feb 10, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1281)