

HR 3657

International Marriage Broker Regulation Act of 2005

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Chamber: House

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]

Party: Democratic • State: WA • Chamber: House

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| Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-16] | D · CA | | Nov 9, 2005 |
| Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9] | D · WA | | Nov 9, 2005 |
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| Rep. Gordon, Bart [D-TN-6] | D · TN | | Nov 18, 2005 |
| Rep. Inslee, Jay [D-WA-1] | D · WA | | Nov 18, 2005 |
| Rep. Pastor, Ed [D-AZ-4] | D · AZ | | Nov 18, 2005 |
| Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7] | D · AZ | | Dec 13, 2005 |
| Rep. Kennedy, Mark R. [R-MN-6] | $R \cdot MN$ | | Dec 16, 2005 |
| Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5] | D · GA | | Dec 16, 2005 |
| Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-14] | D · NY | | Dec 16, 2005 |
| Rep. McCarthy, Carolyn [D-NY-4] | D · NY | | Dec 16, 2005 |
| Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7] | D · WA | | Dec 16, 2005 |
| Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-39] | D · CA | | Dec 16, 2005 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | Sep 19, 2005 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|-------------|--------------|---|
| 109 HR 3402 | Related bill | Jan 5, 2006: Became Public Law No: 109-162. |
| 109 S 1618 | Related bill | Sep 7, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. |
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Summary (as of Sep 6, 2005)

International Marriage Broker Regulation Act of 2005 - Prohibits an international marriage broker from providing any U.S. client with any personal contact information of any individual under the age of 18.

Prohibits a marriage broker from providing any U.S. client with the personal contact information of any foreign national client 18 years of age or older until the marriage broker has: (1) collected certain background information from the U.S. client; (2) provided a copy of such background information to the foreign national client; (3) provided the foreign national client information about legal rights; (4) received consent from the foreign national client to release personal contact information; and (5) informed the U.S. client that he or she will be subject to a criminal background check.

Requires a marriage broker to collect specified background information from each U.S. client.

Sets forth penalties for marriage broker violations.

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) to repeal the mail-order bride provision.

Provides for the dissemination of a pamphlet about the resources available for immigrant victims of domestic violence to: (1) foreign national clients of marriage brokers; and (2) beneficiaries of K-visa petitions.

Amends INA to set forth new K-visa processing provisions.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 28, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H8425)
- Sep 19, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims.
- Sep 6, 2005: Introduced in House
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- Sep 6, 2005: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.