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Legal Employee Verification Act

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Ellsworth, Brad [D-IN-8]

Party: Democratic • **State:** IN • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Shuler, Heath [D-NC-11]	D · NC		May 2, 2007
Rep. Hill, Baron P. [D-IN-9]	D · IN		Oct 31, 2007
Rep. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Nov 7, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 9, 2007
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 29, 2007
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 4, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Legal Employee Verification Act - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to require visas issued by the Secretary of State and immigration related documents issued by the Secretary of State or the Secretary of Homeland Security to comply with authentication and biometric standards recognized by domestic and international standards organizations.

Requires the Commissioner of Social Security to: (1) establish an Employment Eligibility Confirmation System to respond to inquiries made by employers regarding the identities and employment authorizations of their employees; (2) design, implement, and maintain an Employment Eligibility Database, including annual reverification; and (3) develop a plan to phase all workers into the Database and phase out the employer verification system established in specified existing provisions.

Requires the Secretary of Homeland Security (currently, the Attorney General) to implement an integrated entry and exit data system.

Requires a process under which an H-2B alien (temporary nonagricultural worker) who files a nonfrivolous complaint regarding a violation of this Act and is otherwise eligible to remain and work in the United States may be allowed to seek other employment in the United States for a period not to exceed the maximum period of stay for that nonimmigrant.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 9, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.
- **May 4, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.
- **Apr 29, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism.
- **Apr 19, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 19, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E803)
- **Apr 19, 2007:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.