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A bill to withhold Federal financial assistance from each country that denies or unreasonably delays the acceptance of nationals of such country who have been ordered removed from the United States and to prohibit the issuance of visas to nationals of such country.

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Party: Republican • State: PA • Chamber: Senate

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	$R \cdot TX$		Mar 7, 2008
Sen. DeMint, Jim [R-SC]	$R \cdot SC$		Mar 7, 2008
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	$R \cdot OK$		Mar 7, 2008
Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]	$R \cdot AL$		Mar 7, 2008
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	$R \cdot LA$		Mar 7, 2008
Sen. Coburn, Tom [R-OK]	$R \cdot OK$		Mar 10, 2008
Sen. Byrd, Robert C. [D-WV]	$D\cdotWV$		Jul 24, 2008
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	$R \cdot GA$		Jul 25, 2008

Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 5761	Identical bill	${\bf Apr~28,2008:}$ Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.

Amends the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to prohibit funds from being dispersed to a country that denies or unreasonably delays the acceptance of its citizens, nationals, or residents who have been ordered removed under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) from the United States.

Amends INA to prohibit visa issuance to citizens, nationals, or residents of such country unless: (1) the country is in full compliance with travel document requirements under this Act; or (2) Congress waives such prohibition.

Requires the Secretary of Homeland Security to report to Congress every three months listing countries that deny or delay such repatriation. Imposes assistance and visa prohibitions on a listed country that does not issue appropriate travel documents for such aliens.

Authorizes presidential waiver of such assistance and visa prohibitions.

Actions Timeline

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