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AgJOBS Act of 2007

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Policy Area: Immigration

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 19, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 371	Identical bill	Feb 2, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.
110 S 237	Identical bill	Jan 10, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S363-373)

Summary (as of Jan 18, 2007)

Agricultural Job Opportunities, Benefits, and Security Act of 2007 or the AgJOBS Act of 2007 - Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security to confer "blue card status" upon an alien who: (1) has performed agricultural employment in the United States for at least 863 hours or 150 work days during the 24-month period ending on December 31, 2006; (2) applied for such status during the 18-month application period beginning on the first day of the seventh month that begins after the date of enactment of this Act; (3) is otherwise admissible to the United States; and (4) has not been convicted of any felony or a misdemeanor, an element of which involves bodily injury, threat of serious bodily injury, or harm to property in excess of \$500.

Directs the Secretary to adjust a blue card alien (and spouse and minor children) to permanent resident status if the alien has fulfilled specified periods of agricultural employment.

Amends the Social Security Act to exempt blue card aliens from prosecution for social security-related identity or payment false statements if such conduct occurred prior to the granting of blue card status.

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to revise H-2A visa (agricultural labor or temporary or seasonal services) provisions. Replaces the existing labor certification requirement with a labor attestation requirement containing: (1) a description of the nature and location of the job; (2) the job's expected beginning and ending dates; (3) the number of jobs; and (4) specified labor assurances respecting job opportunities covered by collective bargaining agreements and non-covered job opportunities.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 18, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 18, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S766-767)
- **Jan 18, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S767-778)