

# HR 5571

To extend for 5 years the program relating to waiver of the foreign country residence requirement with respect to international medical graduates, and for other purposes.

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

**Policy Area:** Immigration **Introduced:** Mar 10, 2008

Current Status: Became Public Law No: 110-362.

Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 110-362. (Oct 8, 2008)

Law: 110-362 (Enacted Oct 8, 2008)

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## **Sponsor**

Name: Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-16]

Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: House

## Cosponsors (1 total)

| Cosponsor                  | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|----------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Moran, Jerry [R-KS-1] | $R \cdot KS$  |      | Apr 22, 2008 |

# **Committee Activity**

| Committee           | Chamber | Activity        | Date         |
|---------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------|
| Judiciary Committee | House   | Reported by     | Mar 12, 2008 |
| Judiciary Committee | Senate  | Discharged From | Sep 26, 2008 |

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Immigration

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on September 26, 2008. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Technical Corrections Act of 1994 to extend the J-1 visa waiver (Conrad state 30/medical services in underserved areas) program through March 6, 2009.

Increases from five to 10 the number of alien physicians under such program who may serve in state facilities that treat patients from, but that may not be located in, a medically underserved area. (Subject to the overall limit of 30 participants per state.)

Expresses the sense of Congress that: (1) federal programs waiving the two-year foreign residence requirement for physicians are generally designed to promote the delivery of critically needed medical services to people in the United States lacking adequate access to physician care; and (2) when determining the qualification of a location for designation as a health professional shortage area, the Secretary of Health and Human Services should consider the needs of vulnerable populations in low-income and impoverished communities, communities with high infant mortality rates, and communities exhibiting other signs of a lack of necessary physician services.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Oct 8, 2008: Signed by President.
- Oct 8, 2008: Became Public Law No: 110-362.
- Sep 30, 2008: Presented to President.
- Sep 27, 2008: Ms. Lofgren, Zoe moved that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment. (consideration: CR H10266-10267)
- Sep 27, 2008: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5571.
- Sep 27, 2008: Resolving differences -- House actions: On motion that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to by voice vote.(text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H10267)
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- Sep 27, 2008: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Sep 27, 2008: Cleared for White House.
- Sep 26, 2008: Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- Sep 26, 2008: Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S9573)
- Sep 26, 2008: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- Sep 26, 2008: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- Sep 26, 2008: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Jun 2, 2008: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- May 21, 2008: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4433)
- May 21, 2008: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR 5/19/2008 H4113)
- May 21, 2008: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR 5/19/2008 H4113)
- May 21, 2008: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- May 21, 2008: The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- May 19, 2008: Mr. Scott (VA) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- May 19, 2008: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4113-4115)
- May 19, 2008: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5571.
- May 19, 2008: At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. King (IA) objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was withdrawn.
- May 15, 2008: Reported by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 110-646.
- May 15, 2008: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 407.
- Apr 2, 2008: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Apr 2, 2008: Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- Mar 12, 2008: Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Mar 12, 2008: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .
- Mar 11, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.
- Mar 10, 2008: Introduced in House
- Mar 10, 2008: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.