

HR 1785

Arts Require Timely Service (ARTS) Act

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Policy Area: Immigration

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 27, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 1409	Related bill	Jul 8, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Arts Require Timely Service (ARTS) Act - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to require the Secretary of Homeland Security (DHS) to adjudicate a visa petition filed by an employer on behalf of an alien with extraordinary ability in the arts (O- and P- visas other than athletes) and an accompanying alien not later than 30 days after: (1) the date on which the petitioner submits the petition with a written advisory opinion, letter of no objection, or request for a waiver; or (2) the date on which the 15-day period to comment upon a petition has expired if the petitioner has had an opportunity, as appropriate, to supply rebuttal evidence.

Requires the petitioner to be provided premium-processing services without a fee if such petition is not adjudicated within the required time frame and the petitioner is a qualified nonprofit organization or is petitioning on behalf of a qualified nonprofit organization.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 27, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.