

## S 2960

### Refugee Opportunity Act

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Immigration

**Introduced:** Jan 28, 2010

**Current Status:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 337.

**Latest Action:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 337. (Mar 26, 2010)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/2960>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** VT • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Lugar, Richard G. [R-IN]	R · IN		Jan 28, 2010
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Mar 10, 2010
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Mar 18, 2010

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	Mar 26, 2010

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Mar 26, 2010)

Refugee Opportunity Act - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize the waiver of the continuous one-year presence requirement for permanent resident status adjustment for a refugee/asylee who: (1) is or was employed by the U.S. government or a U.S. government contractor overseas and worked on behalf of the U.S. government for the entire period of absence, which may not exceed one year; or (2) is or was employed by the U.S. government or a U.S. government contractor in the alien's country of nationality or last habitual residence for the entire period of absence, which may not exceed one year, and was under U.S. government or contractor protection while working on behalf of the U.S. government during the entire period of employment; and (3) returns immediately to the United States upon such employment's conclusion.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 26, 2010:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Leahy with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Mar 26, 2010:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 337.
- **Mar 25, 2010:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jan 28, 2010:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 28, 2010:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S342)
- **Jan 28, 2010:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.