

HR 5980

Bring Jobs Back to America: Strategic Manufacturing & Job Repatriation Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 29, 2010
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 29, 2010
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 29, 2010
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 10, 2010
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 29, 2010
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 29, 2010

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Bring Jobs Back to America: Strategic Manufacturing & Job Repatriation Act - Directs the Secretary of Commerce to create a comprehensive national manufacturing strategy to increase overall domestic production, create private sector jobs, and identify emerging technologies to strengthen American competitiveness and comparative advantages.

Requires the Secretary to: (1) identify U.S. firms maintaining facilities and jobs outside the United States; and (2) establish multiple Repatriation Task Forces to promote repatriation (return of a job or facility from a foreign country location to a U.S. location) in accordance with established targets for job repatriation and manufacturing growth.

Establishes the American Economic Security Commission to study and report to Congress on policy relating to American competitiveness and technology-based planning to bolster it.

Directs the Secretary, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, to study and report to Congress on the impact and feasibility of a tax incentive to encourage firms to repatriate jobs back to the United States.

Amends federal patent law to revise requirements regarding the publication of patent applications. Requires abstracts (short summaries of inventions) included with patent applications (instead of the patent applications themselves, as under current law) to be published 18 months after the earliest filing date of the application.

Repeals certain requirements relating to: (1) submission of a redacted copy of an application; and (2) procedures to prevent protest and pre-issuance opposition to the grant of a patent.

Requires the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to give priority to the examination of a patent application by an institution of higher education or a patent holding company affiliated with such an institution.

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## **Actions Timeline**

- **Aug 10, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation.
- **Jul 29, 2010:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 29, 2010:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1472-1473)
- **Jul 29, 2010:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Jul 29, 2010:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Ways and Means, Financial Services, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Science and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Jul 29, 2010:** Referred to House Judiciary
- **Jul 29, 2010:** Referred to House Ways and Means
- **Jul 29, 2010:** Referred to House Financial Services
- **Jul 29, 2010:** Referred to House Transportation and Infrastructure
- **Jul 29, 2010:** Referred to House Science and Technology