

## HR 2497

HALT Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

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**Latest Action:** Subcommittee Hearings Held. (Jul 26, 2011)

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Rep. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV-2]	R · WV		Jul 12, 2012

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jul 26, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 1380	Related bill	<b>Jul 18, 2011:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Hinder the Administration's Legalization Temptation Act or the HALT Act - Suspends until January 21, 2013, authority under the Immigration and Nationality Act for: (1) waiver of inadmissibility of aliens unlawfully present in the United States; (2) cancellation of removal and adjustment of status for certain non-permanent residents; (3) temporary parole into the United States, except for parole entries for humanitarian, law enforcement, or security purposes; and (4) designation of a country for temporary protected status.

Revises, until January 21, 2013, the definition of "unauthorized alien" (for purposes of the unauthorized employment of aliens) to eliminate the exclusion from such definition of an alien authorized to work by the Attorney General (DOJ).

Prohibits the Secretary of Homeland Security (DHS) from granting deferred action or extended voluntary departure to any alien until January 21, 2013, except for humanitarian, law enforcement, or security purposes.

Suspends specified regulations concerning employment of aliens until January 21, 2013.

Revokes, as of the date of enactment of this Act, any immigration benefit granted during the period beginning on July 12, 2011, and ending on the date of enactment of this Act under any authority suspended by this Act with respect to: (1) parole authority, (2) the definition of an unauthorized alien, (3) deferred action or extended voluntary departure, or (4) such specified regulations.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 26, 2011:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jul 22, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement.
- **Jul 12, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 12, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.