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Asylum Seeker Work Authorization Act of 2015

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Jul 30, 2015)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]

Party: Independent • **State:** ME • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Judiciary Committee | Senate | Referred To | Jul 30, 2015 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 114 HR 3814 | Identical bill | Nov 23, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security. |

Summary (as of Jul 30, 2015)

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This bill amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to direct the Department of Homeland Security to authorize employment for an asylum applicant who is not in detention and whose asylum application has not been determined to be frivolous.

Employment authorization shall be: (1) for a period of one year, and (2) renewable for additional one-year periods for the entire period necessary to adjudicate the applicant's asylum claim.

Actions Timeline

- Jul 30, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
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