

## HR 2181

### STAPLE Act

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

**Introduced:** Apr 30, 2015

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security. (Jun 1, 2015)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/2181>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Paulsen, Erik [R-MN-3]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** MN • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Apr 30, 2015
Rep. Renacci, James B. [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Apr 30, 2015
Rep. Delaney, John K. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		May 1, 2015

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 1, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Apr 30, 2015)

#### Stopping Trained in America Ph.D.s From Leaving the Economy Act of 2015 or the STAPLE Act

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to exempt from: (1) direct numerical limitations aliens who have earned a Ph.D. degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) from a U.S. institution of higher education and who have an offer of employment from a U.S. employer in a field related to such degree; and (2) H-1B visa (specialty occupation) numerical limitations aliens who have a U.S. STEM Ph.D. and with respect to whom the petitioning employer requires such an education.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jun 1, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.
- **Apr 30, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 30, 2015:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H2670-2671)
- **Apr 30, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.