

HR 1468

Recognizing America's Children Act

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Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Apr 26, 2017
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Jun 23, 2017
Rep. Reed, Tom [R-NY-23]	R · NY		Aug 1, 2017
Rep. Collins, Chris [R-NY-27]	R · NY		Sep 5, 2017
Rep. Lance, Leonard [R-NJ-7]	R · NJ		Sep 5, 2017
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Rep. Brooks, Susan W. [R-IN-5]	R · IN		Sep 7, 2017
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Sep 7, 2017
Rep. Flores, Bill [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Sep 12, 2017
Rep. Barton, Joe [R-TX-6]	R · TX		Sep 13, 2017
Rep. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Sep 14, 2017
Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Sep 26, 2017
Rep. Paulsen, Erik [R-MN-3]	R · MN		Sep 28, 2017
Rep. Knight, Stephen [R-CA-25]	R · CA		Nov 15, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 9, 2017
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 22, 2017
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 22, 2017
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 21, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 1852	Related bill	Sep 25, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Mar 9, 2017)

Recognizing America's Children Act

This bill authorizes the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to cancel the removal of, and adjust to conditional nonimmigrant for an initial five-year period the status of, an alien who:

- was younger than 16 years old when he or she initially entered the United States and has been physically present in the United States since January 1, 2012;
- is a person of good moral character;
- is not inadmissible or deportable on specified grounds under the Immigration and Nationality Act;
- has not participated in the persecution of any person on account of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion;
- has not been convicted of certain offenses under federal or state law;
- is 18 years or older and has earned a high school diploma, general education development certificate, or high school equivalency diploma in the United States, has been admitted to an institution of higher education, or has a valid work authorization; and
- has never been under a final order of exclusion, deportation, or removal unless the alien has remained in the United States under color of law after such order's issuance or received the order before attaining the age of 18.

An alien applying for relief under this bill shall: (1) register under the Military Selective Service Act if so required, (2) undergo a medical examination, (3) submit biometric and biographic data, and (4) complete security and law enforcement background checks.

DHS shall under specified circumstances terminate or extend the conditional nonimmigrant status of an alien who is at least 18 years old.

A conditional nonimmigrant may file an application to adjust his or her status to that of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence during a specified period.

An alien who adjusts to permanent resident status may apply for naturalization upon compliance with all immigration law requirements.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 22, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security.
- **Mar 22, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence.
- **Mar 21, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.
- **Mar 9, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 9, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, and Armed Services, 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.