

## HR 3647

Save America Comprehensive Immigration Act of 2017

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

**Introduced:** Aug 8, 2017

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security. (Sep 21, 2017)

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 12, 2017
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 21, 2017
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 8, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Immigration

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Save America Comprehensive Immigration Act of 2017**

This bill amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide increased protections and eligibility for family-sponsored immigrants.

The bill establishes: (1) the Board of Family-based Visa Appeals, and (2) the Task Force to Rescue Immigrant Victims of American Sex Offenders.

The bill sets forth provisions regarding: (1) the Border Patrol and other law enforcement officers, including regarding personnel increases; (2) status adjustment, including an adjustment for Haitians; (3) sex offenders; (4) unfair immigration-related employment practices; (5) removal proceedings, including for removal based on criminal offenses; (6) asylee and refugee proceedings; and (7) naturalization.

The Anti-Smuggling Unit within the Border Patrol is reestablished.

The worldwide level of diversity immigrants is increased.

Gender-based persecution is established as a grounds for refugee status.

Adjustment to permanent resident is provided for certain temporary protected status persons.

The bill authorizes S (witness or informant) nonimmigrant status for aliens in possession of critical reliable information concerning commercial alien smuggling or trafficking in immigration documents.

The definition of "law enforcement officer" under provisions of the Federal Employees Retirement System and the Civil Service Retirement System is amended to include: (1) federal employees not otherwise covered by such term whose duties include the investigation or apprehension of suspected or convicted individuals and who are authorized to carry a firearm, and (2) Internal Revenue Service employees whose duties are primarily the collection of delinquent taxes and the securing of delinquent returns.

The bill repeals: (1) provisions prohibiting government entities and officials from preventing communications with federal immigration authorities, and (2) authority permitting state personnel to carry out immigration officer functions.

The fashion model H-1B visa is replaced with an O-visa.

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## **Actions Timeline**

- **Sep 21, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.
- **Sep 12, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security.
- **Aug 8, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 8, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, and Oversight and Government Reform, 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.