

HR 4427

Protecting America and American Workers Act

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Rep. Higgins, Clay [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Nov 16, 2017
Rep. Jenkins, Evan H. [R-WV-3]	R · WV		Nov 16, 2017
Rep. Pittenger, Robert [R-NC-9]	R · NC		Nov 17, 2017
Rep. McClintock, Tom [R-CA-4]	R · CA		Nov 21, 2017
Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]	R · WI		Nov 30, 2017
Rep. Bishop, Mike [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Dec 18, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1178	Related bill	Mar 16, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.

## **Protecting America and American Workers Act**

This bill amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate the diversity immigrant program effective on the first day of the first fiscal year after the date on which the Department of State and the Department of Homeland Security jointly determine that such immigrant visas are no longer necessary to offset certain status adjustments under the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996.

Until such time and effective on October 1, 2018, the annual number of diversity program visas is reduced from 55,000 to 5,000. Beginning in FY2019, 8,000 of such former diversity visas shall be allocated annually to each of three employment-based immigrant categories for a total of 24,000 additional visas each year.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Dec 13, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.
- **Nov 16, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 16, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.