

## HR 1738

### Protecting Children Through Eliminating Visa Loopholes Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

**Introduced:** Mar 13, 2019

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship. (Apr 12, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/1738>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [R-WI-5]

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

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]	R · WI		Apr 2, 2019
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		Apr 2, 2019
Rep. Perry, Scott [R-PA-10]	R · PA		May 7, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 13, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 12, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 742	Identical bill	<b>Mar 12, 2019:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

### Summary (as of Mar 13, 2019)

#### Protecting Children Through Eliminating Visa Loopholes Act

This bill requires an alien who seeks to qualify for a nonimmigrant visa as the fiance or spouse of a U.S. citizen to be at least 18 years old, and the sponsoring U.S. citizen must also be at least 18 years old. The bill also establishes that the terms "spouse," "wife," and "husband" shall not apply to any individual less than 18 years old for the purposes of the immigration and nationality laws.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Apr 12, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Mar 13, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 13, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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.