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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 17, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 3222	Related bill	Jun 28, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.

Protect American Values Act

This bill prohibits using federal funds to implement the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) rule *Inadmissibility on Public Charge Grounds*, published August 14, 2019, which expands the definition of a public charge for immigration purposes.

(An alien who is a public charge may be denied certain immigration benefits, such as lawful permanent residence. Currently, a public charge is generally interpreted as an individual who is primarily dependent on the government for subsistence. The DHS rule would define a public charge to mean an individual who receives more than 12 months' worth of designated public benefits in a 36-month period.)

Actions Timeline

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