

HR 2713

People's Liberation Army (PLA) Visa Security Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Immigration

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

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship. (Jun 26, 2019)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	May 14, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 26, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1451	Related bill	May 14, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

People's Liberation Army (PLA) Visa Security Act

This bill bars individuals affiliated with the Chinese military from entering the United States on visas for students (F visa) or work-and-study exchange (J visa).

The President shall publish a list identifying research, engineering, and scientific institutions affiliated or funded by China's People's Liberation Army. Aliens who are or were previously employed, sponsored, or funded by any institution on the list shall be subject to the bar.

When a Chinese national applies for an F or J visa for an academic field related to an item on the Commerce Control List (a list of items subject to export controls), the consular officer handling the application shall request a special background check on the applicant.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **May 14, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 14, 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.

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