

## HR 2877

To add Ireland to the E-3 nonimmigrant visa program.

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

**Introduced:** May 21, 2019

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate.

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate. (Mar 10, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/2877>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]

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

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 26, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3134	Identical bill	Dec 19, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
116 HR 2418	Related bill	May 20, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.

### Summary (as of Mar 9, 2020)

This bill expands the E-3 visa program to cover Irish nationals. The E-3 visa is a nonimmigrant visa currently only available to Australian nationals coming to the United States for employment in a specialty occupation. For Irish E-3 initial applications, the Department of State may approve each fiscal year no more than 10,500 minus the number of Australian initial applications approved the previous fiscal year.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 10, 2020:** Received in the Senate.
- **Mar 9, 2020:** Ms. Scanlon moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Mar 9, 2020:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1541-1542)
- **Mar 9, 2020:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2877.
- **Mar 9, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.
- **Mar 9, 2020:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H1541)
- **Mar 9, 2020:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **May 21, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 21, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.