

## S 3599

### Healthcare Workforce Resilience Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Immigration

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (May 5, 2020)

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## Sponsor

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**Name:** Sen. Perdue, David [R-GA]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** Senate

**Cosponsors** (39 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		May 5, 2020
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		May 5, 2020
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		May 5, 2020
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		May 5, 2020
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		May 5, 2020
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		May 14, 2020
Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		May 14, 2020
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		May 14, 2020
Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]	R · OK		May 14, 2020
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		May 14, 2020
Sen. Paul, Rand [R-KY]	R · KY		May 14, 2020
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		May 14, 2020
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		May 14, 2020
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		May 19, 2020
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		May 19, 2020
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		May 19, 2020
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		May 19, 2020
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		May 19, 2020
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		May 21, 2020
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		May 21, 2020
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Jun 2, 2020
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jun 2, 2020
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 2, 2020
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Jun 2, 2020
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Jun 2, 2020
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Jun 11, 2020
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Jun 11, 2020
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Jun 11, 2020
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Jun 18, 2020
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Jun 18, 2020
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Jun 18, 2020
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	R · WY		Jul 1, 2020
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jul 1, 2020
Sen. Scott, Tim [R-SC]	R · SC		Jul 21, 2020
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Jul 21, 2020
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jul 28, 2020
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Sep 15, 2020
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Sep 15, 2020
Sen. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Sep 15, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 5, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Immigration

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6788	Identical bill	May 8, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

## Summary (as of May 5, 2020)

### Healthcare Workforce Resilience Act

This bill makes previously unused immigrant visas available to nurses and physicians who petition for such a visa before the date that is 90 days after the end of the declared national emergency relating to the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) outbreak.

The number of visas available shall be the total number of unused employment-based immigrant visas from FY1992-FY2020, up to 40,000. Of such visas, 25,000 shall be reserved for nurses and 15,000 for physicians. Certain family members may accompany the principal beneficiary of a visa provided under this bill, and visas for such family members shall (1) be made available from the unused visas from FY1992-FY2020, and (2) not be counted against the 40,000 cap.

Visas provided under this bill shall be exempt from per-country limitations.

## Actions Timeline

- **May 5, 2020:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 5, 2020:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.