

## HR 4030

### Asylum Abuse Reduction 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. (Aug 28, 2019)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Hern, Kevin [R-OK-1]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

| Cosponsor                      | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Meuser, Daniel [R-PA-9]   | R · PA        |      | Aug 2, 2019  |
| Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31] | R · TX        |      | Oct 11, 2019 |
| Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]        | R · OK        |      | Oct 15, 2019 |
| Rep. Wright, Ron [R-TX-6]      | R · TX        |      | Oct 22, 2019 |
| Rep. Yoho, Ted S. [R-FL-3]     | R · FL        |      | Nov 20, 2019 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee           | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|---------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Judiciary Committee | House   | Referred to | Aug 28, 2019 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

| Bill       | Relationship   | Last Action  |
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| 116 S 2292 | Identical bill | Jul 25, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. |

## Asylum Abuse Reduction Act

This bill places restrictions on aliens seeking asylum and contains provisions related to immigration enforcement.

Under this bill, an asylum seeker who arrives at a U.S. land port of entry without entry documents may not be admitted unless an asylum officer at a U.S. consulate or embassy has interviewed the alien in person and concluded that the alien (1) has been persecuted in the alien's country of origin due to race, religion, or other characteristics; or (2) would be tortured upon return to that country. (Currently, an alien arriving at a port of entry may apply for asylum, and an immigration officer there typically will give the alien a credible fear interview.)

Furthermore, an alien who traveled through a third country to enter the United States through the southern border shall be ineligible for asylum unless (1) the alien has applied for and been denied asylum or protection in that third country, (2) the alien was a victim of severe human trafficking, or (3) the third country is not party to certain international agreements relating to refugees.

The Department of Homeland Security shall establish an alternatives to detention pilot program available to aliens who (1) certify that they will comply with all immigration proceedings, (2) agree to only a single appeal of an immigration judge decision, and (3) sign a privacy waiver.

Each federal judicial district shall appoint at least one magistrate judge to issue arrest warrants for individuals violating orders to depart, upon a showing of probable cause.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Aug 28, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Jul 25, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 25, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.