

HR 5405

Southwest Tourism Expansion Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Immigration

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship. (Jan 28, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Stanton, Greg [D-AZ-9]

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

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Schweikert, David [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Dec 11, 2019
Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-2]	D · AZ		Jan 28, 2020
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Feb 7, 2020
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Feb 7, 2020
Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Feb 21, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 11, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 28, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3022	Identical bill	Dec 11, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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This bill directs the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to waive the requirement to issue arrival-departure cards to certain Mexican nationals. Specifically, the waiver shall apply to a Mexican national who is (1) eligible for nonimmigrant admission into the United States, (2) exempt from visa and passport requirements or certain existing (and generally more limited) arrival-departure card requirements, and (3) admitted at a port of entry in Arizona on the U.S.-Mexico border for visiting Arizona for up to 30 days.

The waiver program shall be in effect for five years. Before the program expires, DHS shall report to Congress on issues including (1) the estimated economic impact of the program, and (2) the number of Mexican nationals who overstayed their visa in Arizona during the first four years in which the program was in effect.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 28, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Dec 11, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 11, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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.