

## HR 5466

Prevention of Anti-Immigrant Violence Act of 2019

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**Chamber:** House

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Jan 9, 2020
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Jan 10, 2020
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Jan 24, 2020
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Feb 5, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 28, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Prevention of Anti-Immigrant Violence Act of 2019**

This bill provides protections for noncitizens who are victims of certain crimes.

The bill expands eligibility for U visas, which are for victims of certain serious crimes or individuals who are likely helpful to law enforcement in persecuting such a crime, to include victims of hate crimes.

The bill raises the annual cap on U visas to 12,000 (from 10,000) and designates the additional visas for victims of hate crimes. (Such caps apply only to the primary visa recipient, not to certain family members who may accompany the primary recipient.)

A noncitizen with a pending application for certain immigration benefits, such as for a U visa or a T visa (human trafficking victim), may not be removed from the United States. A noncitizen with such a pending application may only be detained if there is clear and convincing evidence that (1) alternatives to detention would not reasonably ensure the noncitizen's appearance at removal proceedings, or (2) the noncitizen is a threat to the community.

The Department of Justice may award grants to entities to assist noncitizen victims of hate crimes or to train law enforcement to identify and protect victims of anti-immigrant violence.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jan 28, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Dec 17, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 17, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.