

## HR 6437

Coronavirus Immigrant Families Protection Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 3, 2020
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 3, 2020
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 6, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 3, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3609	Related bill	May 5, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## Summary (as of Apr 3, 2020)

### Coronavirus Immigrant Families Protection Act

This bill addresses immigration issues related to COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) and otherwise makes changes to certain COVID-19 response activities, benefits, and programs.

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Department of Justice (DOJ) must temporarily limit in-person immigration proceedings, and, during the COVID-19 emergency, DHS, DOJ, and the Department of State shall not take certain adverse immigration actions. In addition, an individual's use of certain assistance related to COVID-19 may not be considered in current or future immigration determinations concerning that individual.

The bill includes pandemics within the scope of specified disaster and emergency laws and modifies nutrition and other benefits during such emergencies. For example, states may receive Medicaid payments for COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and treatment for certain unlawful aliens, and individuals who use an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number may receive cash assistance related to the COVID-19 response. In addition, individuals may not be excluded from participating in COVID-19 response programs due to actual or perceived immigration status.

To ensure the availability of information related to COVID-19, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention must (1) establish programs for eligible community-based organizations to develop preparedness materials that are culturally and linguistically appropriate, and (2) translate materials and operate telephone hotlines in specified languages. Agencies that receive funding under a law enacted in response to COVID-19 must also provide information about programs and opportunities in such languages.

## Actions Timeline

- **Apr 6, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
- **Apr 3, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 3, 2020:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ways and Means, 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.
- **Apr 3, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.