

## HR 6788

### Healthcare Workforce Resilience Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

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## Committee Activity

| Committee           | Chamber | Activity    | Date        |
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| Judiciary Committee | House   | Referred To | May 8, 2020 |

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Immigration

## Related Bills

| Bill       | Relationship   | Last Action   |
|------------|----------------|---|
| 116 S 3599 | Identical bill | May 5, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. |

## Summary (as of May 8, 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 8, 2020:** Introduced in House
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