

## HR 7673

Represent America Abroad Act of 2020

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Aug 28, 2020
Rep. Heck, Denny [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Aug 28, 2020
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Aug 28, 2020

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Oct 1, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jul 20, 2020)

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### Represent America Abroad Act of 2020

This bill requires the Department of State to establish the Represent America Mid-Career Foreign Service Entry Program to increase diversity in the Foreign Service by recruiting mid-career professionals who are from minority groups.

As part of the program, the State Department shall (1) establish and publish eligibility criteria for participation; (2) carry out recruitment efforts to attract highly qualified, mid-career professionals from minority groups; and (3) include appropriate mentorship and other career development opportunities for program participants.

The State Department must submit an annual report on the status of the program.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Oct 1, 2020:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Oct 1, 2020:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jul 20, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 20, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.