

## HR 8883

REPAIR Academia Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** SC • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 7, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Immigration

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Reporting Exogenous Participation Among Incoming Researchers in Academia Act or REPAIR Academia Act**

This bill imposes certain reporting requirements on the sponsor of an F, M, or J (student or exchange visitor) visa and authorizes the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to revoke such a visa in certain instances.

The Department of State shall require a sponsor of a J visa to report any change to the visa holder's primary field of study. The State Department and DHS shall require a sponsor of an F, M, or J visa to report when the visa holder is participating in a federally funded research program.

DHS may review and revoke an F, M, or J visa in certain instances, such as finding that (1) the visa holder misrepresented an intention to pursue a field of study, or (2) the visa holder's participation in a federally funded research program poses a national security risk. The bill also imposes certain limits on the ability to appeal such a revocation decision.

### **Actions Timeline**

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