

HR 891

Nuclear Family Priority Act

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Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Jan 30, 2019
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Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]	R · SC		Feb 6, 2019
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Rep. Cloud, Michael [R-TX-27]	R · TX		Feb 27, 2019
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Apr 10, 2019
Rep. Wright, Ron [R-TX-6]	R · TX		May 17, 2019
Rep. Cline, Ben [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Sep 12, 2019
Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Sep 16, 2019
Rep. Arrington, Jodey C. [R-TX-19]	R · TX		Oct 15, 2019
Rep. Roy, Chip [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Dec 19, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 25, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 30, 2019)

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This bill imposes limits on various types of family-sponsored immigration visas.

The alien parents of U.S. citizens shall not qualify for visas for "immediate relatives," which are not subject to any direct numerical limits. Currently, the spouses, unmarried children under 21, and parents of citizens are considered immediate relatives.

The bill also creates a nonimmigrant visa for such parents of citizens. Such aliens shall not be eligible for employment or any public benefits.

The bill also reduces the baseline annual cap for family-sponsored visas from 480,000 to 88,000, and revises the methods for calculating the cap.

Preference allocations (visa categories subject to various annual caps) for various family-sponsored visas shall be eliminated, including those for the siblings and married children of citizens. The bill provides for a preference allocation for the unmarried children under 21 and spouses of permanent alien residents, subject to the 88,000 annual cap.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 25, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Jan 30, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 30, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.