

HR 1593

Adoptee Citizenship Act of 2021

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]

Party: Democratic • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (63 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Curtis, John R. [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Bost, Mike [R-IL-12]	R · IL		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Cloud, Michael [R-TX-27]	R · TX		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Davis, Rodney [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Mullin, Markwayne [R-OK-2]	R · OK		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Owens, Burgess [R-UT-4]	R · UT		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Palmer, Gary J. [R-AL-6]	R · AL		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Schweikert, David [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Steel, Michelle [R-CA-48]	R · CA		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		Mar 11, 2021
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Jun 15, 2021
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Jun 15, 2021
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Jun 16, 2021
Rep. Steil, Bryan [R-WI-1]	R · WI		Jun 16, 2021
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Jun 25, 2021
Rep. Franklin, C. Scott [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Jun 25, 2021
Rep. Bourdeaux, Carolyn [D-GA-7]	D · GA		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Himes, James A. [D-CT-4]	D · CT		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Lamborn, Doug [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Miller-Meeks, Mariannette [R-IA-2]	R · IA		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Salazar, Maria Elvira [R-FL-27]	R · FL		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Simpson, Michael K. [R-ID-2]	R · ID		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Stauber, Pete [R-MN-8]	R · MN		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Jul 30, 2021
Rep. Escobar, Veronica [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Jul 30, 2021
Rep. Hinson, Ashley [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Jul 30, 2021
Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Jul 30, 2021
Rep. Moore, Barry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Jul 30, 2021

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Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Jul 30, 2021
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Jul 30, 2021
Rep. Cawthorn, Madison [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Sep 24, 2021
Rep. Fischbach, Michelle [R-MN-7]	R · MN		Sep 24, 2021
Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]	D · GA		Sep 24, 2021
Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [R-WA-5]	R · WA		Sep 28, 2021
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Sep 28, 2021
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Oct 8, 2021
Rep. Huizenga, Bill [R-MI-2]	R · MI		Oct 8, 2021
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Oct 8, 2021
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Oct 8, 2021
Rep. Walberg, Tim [R-MI-7]	R · MI		Oct 8, 2021
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Oct 22, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]	R · OH		Oct 22, 2021
Rep. Smith, Adrian [R-NE-3]	R · NE		Oct 22, 2021
Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5]	D · TN		Nov 16, 2021
Rep. Emmer, Tom [R-MN-6]	R · MN		Nov 16, 2021
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Jan 13, 2022
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Jan 13, 2022
Rep. LaMalfa, Doug [R-CA-1]	R · CA		Jan 13, 2022
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Jan 13, 2022
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Jan 13, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 18, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 967	Related bill	Mar 25, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Adoptee Citizenship Act of 2021

This bill provides for the automatic acquisition of citizenship for certain individuals adopted by a U.S. citizen.

A child born outside the United States and adopted by a U.S. citizen shall automatically acquire citizenship upon meeting certain requirements, regardless of when the adoption was finalized. Currently, adoptees who were over the age of 18 on February 27, 2001, do not automatically acquire citizenship.

An individual born outside the United States and residing in the United States shall automatically acquire citizenship if the individual (1) was adopted by a citizen before becoming 18 years old, (2) was physically present in the United States in the citizen parent's custody pursuant to lawful admission before becoming 18 years old, (3) never acquired citizenship before this bill's enactment, and (4) was lawfully residing in the United States on this bill's enactment date.

An individual born outside the United States and residing outside the United States but who otherwise meets all of the requirements shall automatically acquire citizenship upon being physically present in the United States pursuant to lawful admission. Such an individual shall be subject to a background check. If the background check reveals the individual has committed a crime that was not properly resolved, the individual may not receive a visa unless the Department of Homeland Security and Department of State have coordinated with law enforcement to ensure that action was taken to resolve the issue.

Actions Timeline

- **May 18, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.