HR 161

Venezuela TPS Act of 2021

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)
Chamber: House
Policy Area: Immigration
Introduced: Jan 4, 2021
Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship. (Mar 4, 2021)
Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/161

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]
Party: Democratic • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (19 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Mario [R-FL-25]	R · FL		Jan 4, 2021
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Jan 4, 2021
Rep. Murphy, Stephanie N. [D-FL-7]	D · FL		Jan 5, 2021
Resident Commissioner González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		Jan 5, 2021
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Jan 11, 2021
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-21]	D · FL		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Lawson, Al, Jr. [D-FL-5]	D · FL		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Mar 23, 2021
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Mar 23, 2021
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		May 19, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 4, 2021
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 4, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 50	Related bill	**Jan 26, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2021)

Venezuela TPS Act of 2021

This bill permits nationals of Venezuela to qualify for temporary protected status, which prevents their removal from the United States and allows them to obtain employment and travel authorization. Such status shall be available to qualifying nationals of Venezuela for 18 months starting from this bill's enactment.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 4, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Jan 4, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 4, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

LegiList

CONGRESS, MADE CLEAR.

Search Every Federal Bill, Law, and Vote

LegiList is the fastest way to research Congress. Track any bill from introduction to enactment, see how every legislator voted, follow committee activity, and read the full text of every bill — all in one place, always up to date.

legilist.com

Free Course: Learn How Congress Actually Works

LegiList Learn is a free, self-paced course that walks through the entire legislative process — from drafting a bill to a presidential signature. Seven modules, plain language, no politics. Earn a certificate when you finish.

legilist.com/learn

Developer API: Build Apps on Legislative Data

The LegiList API gives developers direct access to bills, votes, legislators, committees, and more. Start free with 1,000 requests per day — no credit card required. Upgrade to Pro when you need to scale.

legilist.com/api

Public data belongs to the public. — legilist.com