

## S 2078

### People's Liberation Army Visa Security Act

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**Policy Area:** Immigration

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## Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** AR • **Chamber:** Senate

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Braun, Mike [R-IN]	R · IN		Jun 16, 2021
Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]	R · TX		Jun 16, 2021
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Jun 16, 2021
Sen. Hawley, Josh [R-MO]	R · MO		Jun 16, 2021
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Jun 16, 2021
Sen. Tuberville, Tommy [R-AL]	R · AL		Jun 16, 2021

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 16, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Immigration

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 4361	Related bill	Nov 1, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.

## **People's Liberation Army Visa Security Act**

This bill bars individuals affiliated with the Chinese military from entering the United States on visas for students (F visa) or work-and-study exchange (J visa).

The President shall publish a list identifying research, engineering, and scientific institutions affiliated with or funded by China's People's Liberation Army. Aliens who are or were previously employed, sponsored, or funded by any institution on the list shall be subject to the bar.

When a Chinese national applies for an F or J visa for an academic field related to an item on the Commerce Control List (a list of items subject to export controls), the consular officer handling the application shall request a special background check on the applicant.

### **Actions Timeline**

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