

## S 260

### Protecting Immigrant Victims of Domestic Violence Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Immigration

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** MN • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Feb 4, 2021
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Feb 4, 2021
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Feb 4, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 5, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 9474	Related bill	<b>Dec 8, 2022:</b> Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Agriculture, Education and Labor, Energy and Commerce, and Financial Services, 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.

## **Protecting Immigrant Victims of Domestic Violence Act**

This bill allows an abused spouse or child whose immigrant status is derived from another alien (the principal alien) to obtain immigrant status independent of the principal alien. Current law provides a path to immigrant status to abused individuals who derive their status from a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident, but not to those who derive their status from another alien.

Such an abused spouse or child must be accompanying or following to join the principal alien and have been subject to battery or extreme cruelty by the principal alien. An abused individual with immigrant status shall receive employment authorization, be eligible for renewal or extension of status, and become an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence under certain conditions.

### **Actions Timeline**

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