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American Families United Act

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Rep. Fletcher, Lizzie [D-TX-7]	D · TX		Aug 27, 2021
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Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Sep 21, 2021
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Sep 22, 2021
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Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Oct 8, 2021
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Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Oct 21, 2021
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Oct 26, 2021
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Oct 26, 2021

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Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Nov 3, 2021
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Nov 4, 2021
Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Nov 17, 2021
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Nov 17, 2021
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Nov 17, 2021
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Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Dec 9, 2021
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Dec 9, 2021
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Dec 16, 2021
Rep. Garcia, Jesus G. "Chuy" [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Dec 16, 2021
Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Feb 2, 2022
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Feb 2, 2022
Rep. Gomez, Jimmy [D-CA-34]	D · CA		Feb 2, 2022
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Feb 2, 2022
Rep. Bourdeaux, Carolyn [D-GA-7]	D · GA		Feb 15, 2022
Rep. Salazar, Maria Elvira [R-FL-27]	R · FL		Feb 15, 2022
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Mar 1, 2022
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2022
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Mar 1, 2022
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Mar 29, 2022
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Mar 29, 2022
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		Apr 11, 2022
Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-8]	D · MI		May 12, 2022
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Jun 13, 2022
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jun 23, 2022
Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]	D · PA		Jul 29, 2022
Rep. Cherfilus-McCormick, Sheila [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Aug 2, 2022
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Aug 2, 2022
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Aug 5, 2022
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Aug 12, 2022
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Aug 12, 2022
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Aug 16, 2022
Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Aug 30, 2022
Rep. Bera, Ami [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Discharged from	Jul 27, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 30, 2021)

American Families United Act

This bill authorizes the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) or the Department of Justice (DOJ) to exercise discretion in certain immigration cases. The bill also removes certain requirements related to birthright citizenship.

Under this bill, DOJ or DHS may, on a case-by-case basis, exercise discretion by declining to remove an alien or bar an alien from entering the United States to prevent hardship for the alien's U.S. citizen spouse, parent, or child. However, DOJ or DHS may not exercise this discretion if the alien is removable or inadmissible due to certain grounds, including specified crime- and security-related grounds.

The bill also removes certain requirements related to birthright citizenship for a child born outside of the United States to one U.S. citizen parent and one alien parent. Specifically, the bill removes a provision that requires the U.S. citizen parent to be physically present in the United States for at least five years before the child's birth in order for the child to acquire U.S. citizenship at birth.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 27, 2022:** Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship Discharged.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 23 - 16.
- **Nov 9, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Apr 30, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 30, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.