S 3157

Bridging the Gap for New Americans 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 (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Nov 3, 2021
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Nov 3, 2021
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Nov 3, 2021
Sen. Hickenlooper, John W. [D-CO]	D · CO		Dec 2, 2021
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Dec 13, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Jun 24, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 6715	Identical bill	**Feb 11, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

Summary (as of Oct 17, 2022)

Bridging the Gap for New Americans Act

This act requires the Department of Labor to submit to Congress a study on the factors affecting employment opportunities for certain individuals with professional credentials obtained in a non-U.S. country, specifically individuals who are lawfully present noncitizens or naturalized U.S. citizens. The study shall include policy recommendations for better enabling such individuals to obtain skill-appropriate employment in the United States.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 17, 2022:** Presented to President.
- **Oct 17, 2022:** Signed by President.
- **Oct 17, 2022:** Became Public Law No: 117-210.
- **Sep 19, 2022:** Mr. Scott (VA) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Sep 19, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7912-7914)
- **Sep 19, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 3157.
- **Sep 19, 2022:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Sep 19, 2022:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7945-7946)
- **Sep 19, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 363 - 52 (Roll no. 439).(text: CR H7912)
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- **Sep 19, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 12, 2022:** Received in the House.
- **Jul 12, 2022:** Held at the desk.
- **Jul 11, 2022:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jun 23, 2022:** Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jun 23, 2022:** Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions discharged by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S3148-3149)
- **Jun 23, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S3148-3149)
- **Jun 23, 2022:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S3148-3149)
- **Nov 3, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 3, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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