

HR 4562

Migrant Child Trafficking Prevention and Accountability Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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Rep. Buck, Ken [R-CO-4]	R · CO		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Fallon, Pat [R-TX-4]	R · TX		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Herrell, Yvette [R-NM-2]	R · NM		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17]	R · FL		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Jul 20, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 1, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Immigration

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill imposes sanctions on an alien parent (or guardian) of an unaccompanied alien child who arrives at any U.S. border or port of entry.

Under current law, an alien may arrive in the United States (whether or not at a port of entry) and request asylum, subject to certain restrictions.

If the parent is not a lawful permanent resident, that parent shall be permanently barred from adjusting immigration status and deemed inadmissible into the United States. In addition, such a parent shall be deemed to have violated certain crimes related to assisting or abetting an alien's attempt to enter into the United States in violation of immigration laws, even if the parent's actions would fall under an exception for a first offense in assisting or abetting certain family members.

If the parent is a lawful permanent resident, that parent shall be ineligible for any federal public benefit.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Jul 20, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 20, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.