

## HR 1643

New Deal for New Americans Act of 2023

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

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| Rep. Ramirez, Delia C. [D-IL-3]             | D · IL        |      | May 17, 2024 |

## Committee Activity

| Committee                         | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Committee on House Administration | House   | Referred To | Mar 17, 2023 |
| Education and Workforce Committee | House   | Referred To | Mar 17, 2023 |
| Foreign Affairs Committee         | House   | Referred To | Mar 17, 2023 |
| Homeland Security Committee       | House   | Referred to | Mar 17, 2023 |
| Judiciary Committee               | House   | Referred To | Mar 17, 2023 |

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship | Last Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 118 HR 5025 | Related bill | <b>Jul 27, 2023:</b> Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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. |
| 118 S 2585  | Related bill | <b>Jul 27, 2023:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 118 HR 4156 | Related bill | <b>Jun 15, 2023:</b> Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 118 S 883   | Related bill | <b>Mar 21, 2023:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

### Summary (as of Mar 17, 2023)

#### New Deal for New Americans Act of 2023

This bill provides assistance to immigrants, including refugees, and addresses issues related to naturalization.

The bill establishes the National Office of New Americans to (1) welcome and support immigrants, (2) promote and support immigrant integration, and (3) promote the pursuit of U.S. citizenship among immigrants.

The bill also establishes grant programs for eligible entities that provide (1) legal services for immigrants, (2) English language education that focuses on integrating students into society, and (3) workforce development training that supports the economic integration of immigrants. The bill also reauthorizes the Citizenship and Integration Grant Program within U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

USCIS shall establish a nonprofit entity to spur innovation in expanding citizenship preparation programs and to support assistance for immigrants seeking lawful permanent resident status or citizenship.

The bill also requires the Department of Homeland Security to (1) report to Congress before increasing fees for immigration adjudication and naturalization services above the levels of such fees on January 1, 2019, and (2) waive or reduce certain immigration-related fees for low-income individuals.

The bill also (1) waives the English proficiency requirement for the naturalization of certain lawful permanent residents, (2) repeals the public charge ground for deportation, (3) requires states to provide for automatic voter registration to qualifying new citizens unless that individual declines, and (4) sets a floor of 125,000 to the maximum number of refugees who may be admitted into the United States each year.

#### Actions Timeline

- **Mar 17, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 17, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, House Administration, Foreign Affairs, and Homeland Security, 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.
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