

HR 3599

DIGNIDAD (Dignity) Act of 2023

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Immigration

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Salazar, Maria Elvira [R-FL-27]

Party: Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (38 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Chavez-DeRemer, Lori [R-OR-5]	R · OR		May 23, 2023
Rep. Escobar, Veronica [D-TX-16]	D · TX		May 23, 2023
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		May 23, 2023
Rep. Lawler, Michael [R-NY-17]	R · NY		May 23, 2023
Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6]	D · NC		May 23, 2023
Rep. Scholten, Hillary J. [D-MI-3]	D · MI		May 23, 2023
Rescom. González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		May 23, 2023
Rep. Duarte, John S. [R-CA-13]	R · CA		Jun 9, 2023
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Jun 9, 2023
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Mario [R-FL-26]	R · FL		Jun 13, 2023
Rep. Lee, Susie [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Jun 13, 2023
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Sep 21, 2023
Rep. Valadao, David G. [R-CA-22]	R · CA		Sep 21, 2023
Rep. Allred, Colin Z. [D-TX-32]	D · TX		Oct 10, 2023
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Oct 10, 2023
Rep. Auchincloss, Jake [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Oct 12, 2023
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-8]	D · PA		Oct 12, 2023
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Oct 12, 2023
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Oct 12, 2023
Rep. Strickland, Marilyn [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Oct 12, 2023
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Oct 24, 2023
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Oct 24, 2023
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Oct 24, 2023
Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-7]	D · MI		Oct 24, 2023
Rep. Ryan, Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Nov 7, 2023
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Dec 5, 2023
Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Dec 5, 2023
Rep. Houlahan, Chrissy [D-PA-6]	D · PA		Dec 22, 2023
Rep. Deluzio, Christopher R. [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Jan 9, 2024
Rep. Sorensen, Eric [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Jan 17, 2024
Rep. Budzinski, Nikki [D-IL-13]	D · IL		Jan 25, 2024
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Feb 14, 2024
Rep. Hoyle, Val T. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Mar 6, 2024
Rep. Sykes, Emilia Strong [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Mar 6, 2024
Rep. Moskowitz, Jared [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Apr 11, 2024
Rep. Landsman, Greg [D-OH-1]	D · OH		Apr 17, 2024
Rep. Peltola, Mary Sattler [D-AK-At Large]	D · AK		May 8, 2024
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-25]	D · FL		Dec 3, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2023
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2023
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2023
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2023
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2023
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2023
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	May 23, 2023
Intelligence (Permanent Select) Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2023
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2023
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2023
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred To	May 23, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 17, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 319	Related bill	Dec 17, 2024: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
118 HR 661	Related bill	Apr 5, 2024: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 366.
118 S 3255	Related bill	Nov 8, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
118 HR 6044	Related bill	Oct 25, 2023: Referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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 2200	Related bill	Jun 22, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
118 HR 16	Related bill	Jun 15, 2023: 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 1857	Related bill	Jun 7, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
118 HR 2837	Related bill	Apr 25, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Accountability.
118 HR 2557	Related bill	Apr 10, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.
118 S 160	Related bill	Jan 31, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
118 HR 367	Related bill	Jan 13, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

Dignity for Immigrants while Guarding our Nation to Ignite and Deliver the American Dream Act of 2023 or as the DIGNIDAD (Dignity) Act of 2023

This bill addresses immigration-related issues, such as increasing hiring for U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) personnel and providing removal deferral for eligible non-U.S. nationals (*aliens* under federal law).

For example, the bill

- requires the hiring of additional CBP personnel and authorizes recruitment, relocation, and retention bonuses for CBP personnel;
- provides funding for border infrastructure and equipment;
- makes it a crime to transmit the location of law enforcement with the intent to violate immigration laws or certain other federal laws;
- requires employers to verify the immigration status of individuals using an electronic employment eligibility confirmation system modeled after the E-Verify system;
- requires unaccompanied alien children to be processed and reunited with U.S.-based sponsors in accordance with the *Flores* settlement, which established policies pertaining to the treatment of minors without lawful immigration status;
- requires the Department of State to implement a strategy to address the key factors contributing to individuals from Central America traveling to the United States;
- provides a path to permanent resident status to eligible individuals without lawful immigration status who entered the United States as minors (commonly referred to as Dreamers);
- establishes the Dignity Program, which defers the removal of eligible individuals without lawful immigration status who meet various requirements, including paying into a fund to provide training to U.S. workers; and
- establishes the Redemption Program, which provides a path to permanent resident status to individuals who complete the Dignity Program and meet various requirements, including making additional payments into the U.S. worker fund.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
- **May 23, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **May 23, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, Ways and Means, Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, the Budget, Education and the Workforce, Foreign Affairs, Oversight and Accountability, Intelligence (Permanent Select), Financial Services, and Armed 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.
- **May 23, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Border Security and Enforcement.