

S 4361

Border Act of 2024

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Immigration

Introduced: May 16, 2024

Current Status: Cloture on the motion to proceed to the measure not invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 43 - 50. Reco

Latest Action: Cloture on the motion to proceed to the measure not invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 43 - 50. Record

Vote Number: 182. (CR S3878) (May 23, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CT • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Immigration

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 8496	Related bill	May 22, 2024: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

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The bill expands Department of Homeland Security (DHS) authority to address the processing of non-U.S. nationals (*aliens* under federal law) and provides supplemental appropriations for related purposes.

Among other provisions, the bill provides DHS emergency authority to summarily remove or prohibit the entry of certain non-U.S. nationals within 100 miles of the southwest land border. DHS may exercise this authority if DHS encounters an average of 4,000 non-U.S. nationals within a seven-day period. If the number of encounters reach certain higher thresholds, DHS must exercise the emergency authority. This emergency border authority expires after three years and may be modified by the President under specified circumstances.

Next, the bill establishes an expedited process that authorizes asylum officers to adjudicate certain asylum claims. Among other provisions, these *provisional noncustodial removal proceedings* impose certain target timelines for determining asylum claims and limit review of denied claims. The bill also establishes a stricter threshold for individuals to remain in the United States pending adjudication of an asylum petition.

The bill extends and establishes immigration pathways for Afghan citizens or nationals, including by (1) making certain individuals admitted or paroled to the United States eligible for conditional permanent resident status, and (2) expanding eligibility for special immigrant visas for certain individuals who were injured while supporting the U.S. mission in Afghanistan.

The bill also increases base pay for asylum officers and grants DHS temporary direct hire authority to hire personnel to implement the bill.

Actions Timeline

- **May 23, 2024:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (CR S3862)
- **May 23, 2024:** Cloture on the motion to proceed to the measure not invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 43 - 50. Record Vote Number: 182. (CR S3878)
- **May 22, 2024:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (CR S3819)
- **May 21, 2024:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (CR S3783)
- **May 21, 2024:** Cloture motion on the motion to proceed to the measure presented in Senate. (CR S3783)
- **May 20, 2024:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 397.
- **May 16, 2024:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 16, 2024:** Introduced in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.