

## HR 7909

### Violence Against Women by Illegal Aliens Act

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

**Introduced:** Apr 9, 2024

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Sep 19, 2024)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/7909>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]

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

## Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Apr 9, 2024
Rep. Boebert, Lauren [R-CO-3]	R · CO		Apr 9, 2024
Rep. Harris, Andy [R-MD-1]	R · MD		Apr 11, 2024
Rep. Lee, Laurel M. [R-FL-15]	R · FL		May 21, 2024
Rep. Nehls, Troy E. [R-TX-22]	R · TX		May 22, 2024
Rep. Perry, Scott [R-PA-10]	R · PA		May 22, 2024

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Reported By	Sep 6, 2024
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 19, 2024

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Immigration

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HRES 1455	Related bill	Sep 18, 2024: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

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This bill establishes certain criminal grounds for making non-U.S. nationals (*aliens* under federal law) inadmissible and expands the crimes for which a non-U.S. national is deportable.

First, the bill establishes that a non-U.S. national is inadmissible if the individual has admitted to or is convicted of acts constituting the essential elements of stalking, child abuse, child neglect, child abandonment, a sex offense, conspiracy to commit a sex offense, a violation of certain protection orders, and domestic violence (including physical or sexual abuse or a pattern of coercive behavior when it occurs within certain close relationships).

Next, the bill establishes additional grounds for deportation. Under current law, a non-U.S. national is deportable for certain criminal convictions, including domestic violence, stalking, and child abuse. The bill makes any sex offense (including crimes against minors) or conspiracy to commit a sex offense a basis for deportation. The bill also expands the domestic violence crimes that make a non-U.S. national deportable to include physical or sexual abuse or a pattern of coercive behavior when it occurs within certain close relationships.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 19, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Sep 18, 2024:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 1455. (consideration: CR H5354-5358)
- **Sep 18, 2024:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 3724, H.R. 4790, H.R. 5179, H.R. 5339, H.R. 5717, H.R. 7909 and H.J. Res. 136. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 3724 and H.R. 5717 under a structured rule and H.R. 4790, H.R. 5179, H.R. 5339, H.R. 7909, and H.J. Res. 136 under a closed rule. The resolution provides for one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit on each measure.
- **Sep 18, 2024:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 7909.
- **Sep 18, 2024:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Sep 18, 2024:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on H.R. 7909, the Chair put the question on passage of the bill and by voice vote announced that the ayes had prevailed. Ms. Lee (FL) demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **Sep 18, 2024:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5372-5373)
- **Sep 18, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 266 - 158 (Roll no. 429). (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR H5354)
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- **Sep 18, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 17, 2024:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1455 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 3724, H.R. 4790, H.R. 5179, H.R. 5339, H.R. 5717, H.R. 7909 and H.J. Res. 136. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 3724 and H.R. 5717 under a structured rule and H.R. 4790, H.R. 5179, H.R. 5339, H.R. 7909, and H.J. Res. 136 under a closed rule. The resolution provides for one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit on each measure.
- **Sep 6, 2024:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 118-650.
- **Sep 6, 2024:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 547.
- **May 22, 2024:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **May 22, 2024:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 19 - 6.
- **Apr 9, 2024:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 9, 2024:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.