Markup Day 2, May 14, 2013 - Amendments Offered

Amendment	Summary	Vote
Feinstein 11	prevents CBP from operating unmanned aerial vehicles in the San Diego sector except within three miles of the border.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Coons 2	limits night time deportation which, at times, needlessly place immigrants in danger, but not tie the hands of DHS by including exceptions in this amendment. It also requires DHS to do a study on the effectiveness of lateral repatriation and requires border patrol agents to return property to migrants before deporting them when practical.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Schumer 1	offers purely technical corrections to the bill, clarifies reduction of employment and family backlogs, clarifies that $500 J1 visa program only applies to summer program, clarifies that fees funding W visa program also fund research institute, and that only the Secretary of DHS has the authority to determine the prevailing wage as relates to W visas.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Sessions 4	requires the use of a biometric entry and exit data system at ports of entry before the Secretary of Homeland Security may adjust the status of aliens who have been granted registered provisional immigrant status.	**Failed** by a vote of 6-12.
Lee 1 Lee 2 Lee 3	In nature of a substitute to demonstrate that the bill could be done in an incremental nature rather than comprehensively.	Withdrawn
Sessions 1	provides for future immigration and limit the number of nonimmigrant aliens who may be authorized for employment in the United States.	**Failed** by a vote of 1-17
Whitehouse 6	requires DOL to create toll free number and a website for people who feel they have been knocked out of their jobs by the hiring of immigrants that is then inspected by the AG in one year.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Grassley 58	requires additional information in Internet job postings for nonimmigrant employment in connection with the issuance of H–1B visas.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Hatch 9	increases the labor certification fee required under section 212(a)(5)(A) and to use these fees to enhance the economic competitiveness of the United States by improving STEM education and training in the United States.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Grassley 67	requires additional H and L audits mandatory, at least 1% of petitions, in addition to required audits of heavy users of the programs.	**Failed** by a vote of 2-16
Cruz 5	raises the H-1B cap to 325,000. Authorizes dual intent for F-1 students as well.	**Failed** by a vote of 4-14
Grassley 60	requires that the good faith efforts to recruit in the U.S. apply to all employers for H-1B visas.	**Failed** by a vote of 2-15
Grassley 62	strikes all references to intending immigration in H-1B visas.	**Failed** by a vote of 2-15
Grassley 56	strikes the authority relating to interview waivers for low risk visa applicants.	**Failed** by a vote of 9-9
Schumer 3	makes certain nationals of countries that benefit from the African Growth and Opportunity Act or the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act eligible for E nonimmigrant visas.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Grassley 70	delays the issuance of E–5 Visas to nationals of South Korea until South Korea has fully removed age-based import restrictions on beef	**Failed** by a voice vote.

	from the United States.	
Klobuchar 3	requires a pilot program to conduct interviews for certain nonimmigrant visas using secure remote video conferencing technology.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Session 13	requires aliens who may be a threat to national security to submit to an in person interview with a consular officer when applying for a visa.	**Passed** by a vote of 10-8
Hirono 15	permits Medicaid coverage for citizens of the Freely Associated States.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Grassley 69	requires institutions accepting F-1 students to be accredited; mandates suspension of F-1 authorization for certain violations or loss of accreditation; mandates termination if school owner/official is indicted for visa fraud; requires background checks for DSOs; and requires FAA certification of flight schools.	**Passed** by a voice vote.
Schumer 4	provides J status to individuals with skill in languages spoken in countries from which fewer than 5000 immigrants are admitted per year. 2nd degree amendment would require the State Department to publish a list of the countries included.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Sessions 6	prevents amendments to the Visa Waiver Program from taking effect until a biometric entry/exit system is fully implemented.	**Failed** by a 6-12 vote
Klobuchar 1	provides immigration status for certain battered spouses and children.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Grassley 77	requires the Secretary to implement the transmission of data from the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System to databases used by U.S. Customs and Border Protection.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Hirono 2	permits nonimmigrant alien crewman to land temporarily in Hawaii.	**Passed** by a voice vote
Grassley 68	delays the effectiveness of the provisions on dual intent for F nonimmigrants seeking higher degree until the deployment of the 2nd generation Student and Exchange Visitor Information System.	**Failed** by a vote of 9-9