

American Immigration Lawyers Association

All Senate Floor Amendments filed week of 6.10.13 - 6.14.13

Sponsor	Amendment Number	Stated purpose of the Amendment	Issue Area
Begich, Mark	1285 (MDM13965)	To require the Commissioner of Social Security to establish alternative procedures for updating social security records to verify the identity and employment eligibility of individuals who live in a remote location.	E-Verify
Blumenthal, Richard	1278 (EAS13720)	To strengthen the whistleblower protections for H-2B nonimmigrants	Employment NIV (not W related)
Boxer, Barbara	1282 (EAS13803)	To permit time in registered provisional immigrant or blue card status to count towards the five-year prohibition on access to the safety net.	Tax and Benefits
Boxer, Barbara	1260 (MRW13518)	To require the Secretary to implement standards for short-term custody of aliens held in facilities of U.S. CBP	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deport ability--in non RPI context)
Boxer, Barbara	1258 (MRW13495)	To provide RPIs who adjust to legal permanent resident status the option to adjust to such status using a family a employment based visa when such a visa becomes available.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Boxer, Barbara	1257 (MRW13500)	To improve access of immigrant survivors to critical safety net benefits that enable them to escape abuse and exploitation.	
Boxer, Barbara	1240 (ARM13D75)	To require training for National Guard and Coast Guard officers and agents in training programs on border protection, immigration law enforcement, and how to address vulnerable populations, such as children and victims of crime.	Border (not trigger related)
Boxer, Barbara	1199 (ARM13D42)	To require training for National Guard and Coast Guard officers and agents in training programs on border protection, immigration law enforcement, and how to address vulnerable populations, such as children and victims of crime.	Border (not trigger related)
Cardin, Benjamin	1286 (KER13235)	To provide social service agencies with the resources to provide services to meet the urgent needs of Holocaust survivors to age in place with dignity, comfort, security, and quality of life.	Holocaust survivors

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Cardin, Benjamin	1267 (ALB13500)	To improve section 3305 relating to profiling.	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deport ability--in non RPI context)
Cardin, Benjamin	1266 (DAV13647)	To modify the authority to conduct additional security screenings of individuals from certain countries and regions	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deport ability--in non RPI context)
Cardin, Benjamin	1265 (EAS13722)	To clarify that the Immigration and Nationality Act preempts State and local law and provide for information sharing between DHS and State and local authorities.	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deport ability--in non RPI context)
Cardin, Benjamin	1264 (ALB13510)	To require the non-Federal prisons and correctional facilities holding Federal prisoners under a contract with the Federal Government to make the same information available to the public that Federal prisons and correctional facilities are required to make available.	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deport ability--in non RPI context)
Carper, Thomas	1276 (ALB13530)	To require additional technology at points of entry to help facilitate cross border traffic.	Border: Triggers
Carper, Thomas	1275 (ALB13526)	To achieve persistent surveillance along the border.	Border (not trigger related)
Carper, Thomas	1274 (ALB13541)	To prevent unauthorized immigration transiting through Mexico.	Border (not trigger related)
Carper, Thomas	1273 (ALB13542)	To establish a visa overstay notification pilot program.	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deport ability--in non RPI context)
Casey, Bob	1252 (MCG13579)	To provide that persons renouncing citizenship for a substantial tax avoidance purpose shall be subject to tax and capital withholding gains, to provide that such persons shall not be admissible to the U.S., and for other purposes.	Tax and Benefits
Coats, Dan	1277 (MRW13525)	To require the Comprehensive Border Security Strategy to be 100% deployed and 100% operational before the Secretary may adjust the status of RPIs.	Border: Triggers

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Collins, Susan	1255 (MDM13936)	To remove the requirement that 90 percent of the additional amounts made available for Operation Stonegarden be allocated for grants and reimbursements to law enforcement agencies in the Southwest border region.	Border (not trigger related)
Cornyn, John	1251 (EAS13772)	Requiring Enforcement, Security and safety while Upgrading Lawful Trade and travel Simultaneously (RESULTS).	Border: Triggers
Feinstein, Dianne	1250 (HEN13657)	To provide for authorization for the use of Trust Fund dollars to help alleviate burdens on the Judiciary imposed by the Act.	
Grassley, Charles	1195 (ARM13C25)	To prohibit the granting of RPI status until the Secretary has maintained effective control of the borders for 6 months.	Border: Triggers
Hatch, Orrin	1249 (GAI13418)	To preclude crediting of quarters of coverage for unauthorized employment.	Tax and Benefits
Hatch, Orrin	1248 (MDM13897)	To provide for the application of a 5-year waiting period for certain eligibility for tax credits and cost sharing subsidies under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.	Tax and Benefits
Hatch, Orrin	1247 (MCG13569)	To modify provisions relating to the payment of back taxes to include all income and employment taxes owed, and for other purposes.	Tax and Benefits
Hatch, Orrin	1246 (ERN13222)	To ensure compliance with Federal welfare and public benefits laws.	Tax and Benefits
Heller, Dean	1234 (EAS13757)	To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit to Congress a report on the mandatory biometric exit data system.	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deportability--in non RPI context)
Heller, Dean	1235 (BAI13538)	To provide for the appropriate allocation of additional U.S. CBP officers	Border (not trigger related)
Heller, Dean	1227 (MDM13916)	To include a representative from the Southwestern State of Nevada on the Southern Border Security Commission.	Border: Triggers
Inhofe, James	1206 (HEN13638)	To amend title 31, USC, to end speculation on the current cost of multilingual services provided by the Federal Government	
Inhofe, James	1205 (BAI13523)	To ensure that an employer has the freedom to implement English in the workplace policies.	English Language
Inhofe, James	1204 (MDM13878)	To declare English as the official language of the U.S., to establish a uniform English language rule for naturalization, and to avoid misconstructions of the English language texts of the laws of the U.S., pursuant to Congress' powers to provide for the general welfare of the U.S. and to establish a uniform rule of naturalization under article I, section 8 of the Constitution.	Integration

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Inhofe, James	1203 (MDM13469)	Provides for extensions of detention of certain aliens ordered removed, and for other purposes	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deport ability--in non RPI context)
Isakson, Johnny	1263 (MDM13944)	To require adult aliens who were unlawfully present in the U.S. before the date of the enactment of this Act to submit an affidavit stating that they unlawfully entered the U.S. or remained in the U.S. after the expiration of a valid visa before they can be granted legal status.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Isakson, Johnny	1243 (MDM13769)	To require aliens who were unlawfully present in the United States before the date of the enactment of this Act to submit an affidavit stating that they unlawfully entered the United States or remained in the United States after the expiration of a valid visa before they can be granted legal status	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Isakson, Johnny	1244 (MDM13790)	To authorize certain employers to send H-1B nonimmigrant employees to install or configure the products provided by the employer at client locations	Employment NIV (not W related)
Isakson, Johnny	1245 (MDM13720)	To use a market rate approach instead of the requirement in the bill that H-1B nonimmigrant workers be paid more than American workers	Employment NIV (not W related)
Kirk, Mark	1239 (EAS13767)	To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to deem any person who has received an award from the Armed Forces of the United States for engagement in active combat or active participation in combat to have satisfied certain requirements for naturalization.	Integration
Klobuchar, Amy	1262 (MDM13925)	To allow orphans who have established relationships with potential adoptive parents and are in humanitarian emergency situations to be admitted under humanitarian parole while their immediate relative petitions are being processed.	Family immigration
Klobuchar, Amy	1261 (EAS13744)	To require Certificates of Citizenship and other Federal documents to reflect name and date of birth determination made by a State court.	Family immigration
Landrieu, Mary	1222 (MDM13899)	To apply the amendments made by the Child Citizenship Act of 2000 retroactively to all individuals adopted by a citizen of the U.S. in an international adoption and to repeal the pre-adoption parental visitation requirement for automatic citizenship and to amend section 320 of the INA relating to automatic citizenship for children born outside of the U.S. who have a USC parent	Integration
Leahy, Patrick	1183 (EAS13705)	To encourage and facilitate international participation in the performing arts	Other NIV

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Leahy, Patrick	1182 (MDM13374)	To recognize, for the purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act, any marriage entered into in full compliance with the laws of the State or foreign country within which such marriage was performed.	UAFA
Leahy, Patrick	1181 (EAS13704)	To provide equivalent treatment for the spouses and minor children of certain long-term contract agricultural workers and W-1 visa holders.	W visas (agriculture)
Lee, Mike	1212 (MDM13825)	To enhance the requirements on payments of taxes to be satisfied by applicants for registered provisional immigrant status.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Lee, Mike	1211 (MDM13824)	To remove offenses committed under foreign law from the grounds of ineligibility for registered provisional immigrant status.	Legalization - crimes and waivers ONLY
Lee, Mike	1210 (MDM13823)	To prohibit aliens who have absconded or have attempted to reenter the United States after receiving a deportation order from receiving registered provisional immigrant status.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Lee, Mike	1209 (MDM13822)	To clarify that the registered provisional immigrant program shall be funded only by fees.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Lee, Mike	1208 (MDM13821)	To require fast-track congressional approval when the Secretary of Homeland Security notifies Congress of the implementation of the border security strategies and certified that the strategies are substantially operational.	Border: Triggers
Lee, Mike	1207 (END13430)	To prohibit the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture from taking action on public lands which impede border security on such lands, and for other purposes.	Border (not trigger related)
Lee, Mike	1217 (MDM13830)	To increase the number of W nonimmigrant visas available during each fiscal year.	W visas (non-ag)
Lee, Mike	1216 (MDM13829)	To require intent in certain prohibitions on discrimination based on national origin or citizenship status.	E-Verify
Lee, Mike	1215 (MDM13828)	To require annual reports on the amounts of Federal means-tested public benefits provided in each State.	Tax and Benefits
Lee, Mike	1214 (MDM13827)	To prohibit the use of sworn affidavits or other unspecified documents to verify the employment of education of registered provisional immigrants applying for permanent residence.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Lee, Mike	1213 (MDM13826)	To prohibit the waiver or reduction of penalties payable in connection with applications for adjustment to registered provisional immigrant status.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)

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Manchin, Joe	1268 (DAV13648)	To provide for common sense limitations on salaries for contractor executives and employees involved in border security.	Border (not trigger related)
Manchin, Joe	1226 (MDM13879)	To delay the purchase of additional unmanned aerial vehicles and unmanned aerial systems until after U.S. CBP has implemented recommendations of the Inspector General of DHS.	Border (not trigger related)
Manchin, Joe	1221 (MDM13763)	To delay the purchase of additional unmanned aerial vehicles and unmanned aerial systems until after U.S. Customs and Border Protection has implemented the recommendations of the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security.	Border (not trigger related)
Manchin, Joe	1220 (DAV13626)	To provide for common sense limitation on salaries for contractor executives and employees involved in border security.	Border (not trigger related)
Manchin, Joe	1219 (EAS13454)	To require certain aliens who entered the U.S. as children seeking an adjustment of status to have acquired a degree from an institution of higher education.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Merkley, Jeff	1237 (MDM13932)	To increase the employment of Americans by requiring State workforce agencies to certify that employers are actively recruiting Americans and that Americans are not qualified or available to fill the positions that the employer wants to fill with H-2B nonimmigrants.	Employment NIV (not W related)
Moran, Jerry	1256 (MDM13854)	To improve the bill by facilitating the creation of American jobs by immigrant entrepreneurs.	Employment IV (not W related)
Nelson, Bill	1253 (MDM13935)	To authorize the Secretary of DHS to acquire the equipment and personnel necessary to secure the maritime borders of the U.S.	Border (not trigger related)
Paul, Rand	1202 (ERN13225)	To secure the Treasury and protect taxpayers against RPIs, refugees, asylees, and other aliens from being dependent on welfare.	Tax and Benefits
Paul, Rand	1200 (MDM13818)	To provide for enhanced border security, including strong border security metrics and congressional votes on border security	Border (not trigger related)
Reed, Jack	1233 (EAS13647)	To provide that an alien subject to 877(A)(a) of the IRS Code of 1986 is inadmissible unless the alien demonstrates that he or she did not renounce citizenship to avoid U.S. taxation.	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deportability--in non RPI context)
Reed, Jack	1223 (MDM13888)	To increase the involvement of public libraries in the integration of new immigrants.	Integration

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Reed, Jack	1224 (MDM13856)	To clarify the physical present requirements for merit-based immigrant visa applicants.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Risch, Jim	1238 (MDM13915)	To exempt employers from any penalty under the INA unless the DHS demonstrates that the individual in question is not authorized to work in the United States.	E-Verify
Rubio, Marco	1225 (MRW13489)	To require registered provisional immigrants who are 16 years of age or older to read, write, and speak the English language.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Sanders, Bernard	1284 (MDM13968)	To require employers to certify that they have not will not lay off a large number of employees before they are allowed to employ foreign workers in the United States.	Protecting U.S. workers
Sanders, Bernard	1283 (MDM13951)	To establish a jobs program for unemployed young Americans, offset by a \$10 surcharge or certain employment-based visas.	Protecting U.S. workers
Schumer, Charles	1185 (MDM 13832)	To permit aliens employed by foreign utility companies to provide relief to U.S. communities during an emergency or disaster.	Employment NIV (not W related)
Schumer, Charles	1194 (MDM13890)	To change the start date for the merit-based immigrant program to align with the repeal of the diversity visa program.	Family immigration
Schumer, Charles	1193 (MDM13889)	To exempt nonprofit education and research institutions from the definitions of H-1B dependent employer and H-1B skilled worker dependent employer.	Employment NIV (not W related)
Schumer, Charles	1192 (MDM13844)	To authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to designate international airports in the United States at which aliens arriving to and departing from the United States shall be subject to biometric inspections and to issue reasonable notice requirements for aircraft carrying aliens to or from the United States.	Border (not trigger related)
Schumer, Charles	1191 (MDM13839)	To clarify that a total of 10,500 visas are available each fiscal year for nonimmigrants described in section 101(a)(15)(E)(vi) of the Immigration and Nationality Act.	Employment NIV (not W related)
Schumer, Charles	1190 (MDM13838)	To exempt public universities that hire H-1B non-immigrants from the prohibition against displacing United States workers.	Employment NIV (not W related)
Schumer, Charles	1189 (MDM13836)	To place a hard cap on H-1B nonimmigrant visas of 180,000.	Employment NIV (not W related)
Schumer, Charles	1188 (MDM13835)	To waive the 3-year and 10-year bars with respect to merit-based track two immigrant visas.	Family immigration
Schumer, Charles	1187 (MDM13834)	To make a technical correction with respect to STEM immigrants.	Employment IV (not W related)

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Schumer, Charles	1186 (MDM13833)	To establish reasonable time limitations for submitting and processing merit-based immigrant visa applications.	Family immigration
Schumer, Charles	1184 (MDM13831)	To prohibit franchisors from being held civilly liable for violations of section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act that are committed by the franchisee.	E-Verify
Shaheen, Jeanne	1272 (HEY13301)	To modify the requirements for qualified venture capitalists in the INVEST visa program.	Employment IV (not W related)
Tester, Jon	1198 (EAS13749)	To modify the Border Oversight Task Force to include tribal government officials	Border (not trigger related)
Thune, John	1271 (EAS13775)	To modify the trigger provision to require employers with more than 500 employees participate in the E-Verify system before the Secretary may process application for RPI status.	E-Verify
Thune, John	1270 (EAS13776)	To modify the trigger provision to require the mandatory exit data system be operational at 10 airports in the U.S. before the Secretary may process applications for RPI status and fully implemented before RPIs may receive an adjustment of status.	Border: Triggers
Thune, John	1269 (EAS13795)	To authorize the Secretary of DHS to hire 4,000 full time U.S. CBP officers to service along the Southern Border.	Border (not trigger related)
Thune, John	1197 (MDM13904)	To require the completion of the 350 miles of reinforced, double-layered fencing described in section 102(b)(1)(A) of the IIRAIRA before RPI status may be granted and to require the completion of 700 miles of such fencing before the status of RPIs may be adjusted to permanent resident status.	Border: Triggers
Thune, John	1196 (MDM13892)	To delay the granting of RPI status to any alien until the governors of the States of the Southern border approve the Secretary's Comprehensive Southern Border Security Strategy and certify that the strategy has been substantially implemented.	Border: Triggers
Toomey, Patrick	1236 (EAS13689)	To improve the bill. (On page 866, line 3, adds "through existing or new programs" before "and successfully")	Border: Triggers
Udall, Tom	1242 (EAS13693)	To make \$5,000,000 available to strengthen the Border Infectious Disease Surveillance project.	Border (not trigger related)
Udall, Tom	1241 (MDM13895)	To expand the Border Enforcement Security Task Force in the Southwest border region.	Border (not trigger related)
Udall, Tom	1218 (MIR13238)	To provide additional permanent district court judgeships in New Mexico.	Immigration Courts & Access to Counsel
Vitter, David	1259 (MDM13948)	To require information sharing between Federal and nonfederal agencies regarding removable aliens and to withhold certain Federal funding from States and local governments that prohibit their law enforcement officers from assisting or cooperating with Federal immigration law enforcement.	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deport ability--in non RPI context)

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Vitter, David	1254 (EAS13787)	To prohibit the Secretary from processing applications for registered provisional immigrant status until certain triggers are met.	Border: Triggers
Vitter, David	1228 (MDM13924)	To prohibit the temporary grant of legal status to, or adjustment to citizenship status of, any individual who is unlawfully present in the U.S. until the Secretary of DHS certifies that the US-VISIT System (a biometric border check-in and check-out system first required by Congress in 1996) has been fully implemented at every land, sea, and air port of entry and Congress passes a joint resolution, under fast track procedures, stating that such integrated entry and exit data system has been sufficiently implemented.	Border: Triggers
Vitter, David	1201 (MDM13882)	To prohibit the temporary grant of legal status to, or adjustment to citizenship status of, any individual who is unlawfully present in the United States until the Secretary of Homeland Security certifies that the US-VISIT system (a biometric border check-in and check-out system first required by Congress in 1996) has been fully implemented at every land, sea, and air port of entry.	Border: Triggers
Wicker, Roger	1259 (MDM13948)	To require information sharing between Federal and nonfederal agencies regarding removable aliens and to withhold certain Federal funding from States and local governments that prohibit their law enforcement officers from assisting or cooperating with Federal immigration law enforcement.	Interior Enforcement (detention, crimes, inadmissibility/deportability--in non RPI context)
Wicker, Roger	1230 (MDM13906)	To prohibit aliens who previously filed a frivolous asylum application and aliens who failed to voluntarily depart the U.S. within a specified time period in lieu of being subject to removal proceedings during the past 10 years from applying for RPI status.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Wicker, Roger	1232 (MDM13907)	To double the penalties imposed on applicants for RPI status and on RPIs seeking to permanent resident status.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Wicker, Roger	1231 (MDM13908)	To require the Secretary to adjust, for inflation, all fees and penalties imposed under title II.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)
Wicker, Roger	1229 (MDM13910)	To require the revocation of an alien's registered provisional immigrant status if the alien is no longer eligible for such status, knowingly used fraudulent documentation, fraudulently claimed a Federal means-tested benefit, or left the country for more than 180 days.	Legalization, DREAM, Blue Card (not including crimes and waivers)