

Mark-up Day 5, May 21, 2013 – Amendments Offered

Amendment	Summary	Vote
Blumenthal 15	Moves the physical presence date for RPI eligibility date to April 17, 2013 (from Dec. 31, 2011)	Withdrawn
Sessions 30	Restricts eligibility for the Child Tax Credit.	Failed by vote of 8-10
Hirono 20	requires the Secretary of Homeland Security to collect certain information, which shall be kept confidential, from applicants for registered provisional immigrant status for the purpose of understanding immigration trends	Passed by voice vote
Grassley 17	eliminates judicial review for revocations and denials of RPI applications, except on challenges to the constitutionality of the legalization provisions.	Failed by vote of 6-12
Feinstein 13	expands the grant program in the bill to include individuals in blue card status. Modified by 2nd degree. Feinstein 2nd degree restores to the bill the power of the Consular official to deny a visa.	Passed by voice vote
Cornyn 4	requires DHS to identify victims of each criminal offense by waiver-eligible RPI applicants and to consult with victims to determine whether applicants should be granted a waiver. Modified by 2 nd degree. 2nd degree clarifies that DHS should work with prosecution agencies and that the victims would not suffer adverse immigration consequences.	Passed by voice vote
Cornyn 5	expands the situations in which the Secretary is required to disclose information provided on RPI, RPI-adjustment, blue card, DREAMer-adjustment, ag worker- adjustment applications.	Failed by vote of 9-9
Lee 10	defines requirements for establishing compliance with federal tax obligations. The individual must prove compliance by a preponderance of the evidence.	Failed by voice vote
Lee 8	prohibits aliens who have absconded or have attempted to reenter from receiving RPI status.	Failed by voice vote
Lee 12	prohibits the use of sworn affidavits to verify the employment or education of RPIs applying for permanent residence.	Failed by voice vote
Cruz 3	removes the path of citizenship for anyone who has ever been "willfully" present in the U.S. unlawfully. Modified by 2nd degree which adds a savings clause that it would not impact those granted asylum.	Failed by vote of 5-13
Cruz 2	prohibits all aliens who entered or remained in the U.S. while not in lawful status from being eligible for federal, state, or local government means-tested benefit or under Affordable Care Act.	Failed by vote of 6-12
Flake 4	clarifies that individuals in RPI status is not eligible for any federal means-tested benefits and would revoke status for those convicted of fraudulently claiming or receiving such a benefit. It would also require DHS Secretary to conduct audits.	Passed by voice vote
Flake 3	requires that RPIs undergo background checks at the time of renewal of RPI status. Modified by two 2 nd degrees	Passed by voice vote

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Hatch 10, 2nd degree by Hatch-Schumer	Modified by 2 nd degree Hatch-Schumer amendment that consolidates Hatch 10-17 and 20.	Passed by vote of 16-2
Hatch 10, 2nd degree by Grassley	Requires all employers to attest that they made a good faith effort in recruiting American workers.	Failed by vote of 2-15
Hatch 10, 2nd degree by Grassley	protects American women workers STEM field working in companies hiring H-1Bs.	Failed by vote of 3-15
Hatch 10, 2nd degree by Grassley		Failed by vote of 2-16
Hatch 10, 2nd degree by Grassley	applies the same wage requirement to all employers.	Failed by vote of 3-15
Hatch 10, as amended	Modifies H-1B and L-1 visa programs.	Passed by voice vote
Whitehouse 4	facilitates admission and naturalization of individuals who are employees of Federal national security, science, and technology labs.	Passed by voice vote
Grassley 16	allows for the adjustment for inflation of all fees and fines in S.744.	Failed by voice vote
Franken 9	allows battered immigrants to be eligible to receive certain public and assisted housing.	Passed by voice vote
Sessions 2	imposes a 20 million numerical limitation on individuals admitted as LPRs during the 10 fiscal years.	Withdrawn
Coons 3	allows surviving spouses and children of U.S. government employees abroad who are killed in the line of duty.	Passed by voice vote
Cornyn 8	Modified by 2nd degree amendment. The amendment adds communities near closed or realigned military bases in the definition of targeted employment area in the EB-5 regional center context.	Passed by voice vote
Hirono 1	exempts children of certain Filipino World War II veterans from the numerical limitations on immigrant visas.	Passed by voice vote
Cruz 4	modifies the numerical limitations for family-sponsored and employment-based visas. It also removes per country caps.	Failed by vote of 6-12
Coons 9	modifies Coons 1 which would require enhanced notification to individuals in the E-Verify system. Modified by 2 nd degree which reduces the enhanced notification the cases where a system returns a nonconfirmation.	Passed by voice vote
Grassley 19	mandates USCIS to file reports to Congress on fraud. Modified to annual reports instead of quarterly.	Passed by voice vote
Hirono 10	permits U.S. citizen suffering extreme hardship to petition for an adult son and daughter or a sibling.	Failed by vote of 7-11
Sessions 8	Provides that visa reciprocity shall only apply if the DHS Secretary determines that the national security, visa policy, and immigration enforcement interests of the U.S. would not be adversely affected.	Withdrawn
Sessions 15	remove judicial review and shift visa authority from Department of State to DHS.	Failed by voice vote

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Hirono 11	require a GAO study on the impact of the merit based system on family. Under this amendment, the GAO must submit a study no later than 7 years after the date of enactment.	Passed by voice vote
Klobuchar 5	allows doctors more time to find employment in an underserved area.	Passed by voice vote
Leahy 7	recognizes for purposes of the INA, any marriage entered into in full compliance with the laws of the State or foreign country within which such marriage was performed.	Withdrawn