

A Selection of Proposed Congressional Bills Spring/Summer 2002

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Federal Government

Senate Action

Hearings The Legislative Branch Subcommittee, Senate Appropriations Committee, will hold a hearing on fiscal year 2003 appropriations for the Library of Congress. 9:30 a.m., 3/13/02, 124 Dirksen.

Gun Violence

Senate Action

- S. 2091 (*Torricelli*, D-NJ) to amend Title 18, U.S. Code, to prohibit gunrunning, and provide mandatory minimum penalties for crimes related to gunrunning, to Judiciary. S2577, remarks and text S2580, CR 4/11/02.
- S. 2480 (*Leahy*, D-VT) to amend Title 18, U.S. Code, to exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from state laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns, to Judiciary. S4064, remarks S4073, CR 5/8/02.
- S. 2539 (*Corzine*, D-NJ) to prohibit the use of taxpayer funds to advocate a position that is inconsistent with existing Supreme Court precedent with respect to the Second Amendment, to Judiciary. S4702, remarks and text S4705, CR 5/22/02.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on S.2480, to amend Title 18, U.S. Code, to exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from state laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns. 2 p.m., 7/23/02, 226 Dirksen.

House Action

- H.R. 3660 (*Nadler*, D-NY) to control the sale of gun kits, to Judiciary. H104, CR 1/29/02.
- H.R. 3679 (*Gutierrez*, D-IL) to prohibit the possession or transfer of junk guns, also known as Saturday Night Specials, to Judiciary. H140, CR 2/5/02.
- H.R. 3751 (*Nadler*, D-NY) to prohibit the importation of dangerous firearms that have been modified to avoid the ban on semiautomatic assault weapons, to Judiciary. H366, CR 1/13/02.
- H.R. 4034 (*Conyers*, D-CA) to extend Brady background checks to gun shows, to Judiciary. H1088, CR 3/20/02.

Hearings The Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection Subcommittee, House Energy and Commerce Committee, will hold a hearing on a bill that would protect the manufacturers and sellers of firearms from lawsuits. 9:30 a.m., 4/18/02, 2322 Rayburn.

H.R. 4192 (*Langevin*, D-RI) to ensure greater accountability by licensed firearms dealers, to Judiciary. H1282, CR 4/11/02.

H.R. 4512 (*Langevin*, D-RI) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage the use of safety devices in firearms, to Ways and Means. H1482, CR 4/18/02.

H.R. 4642 (*Kerns*, R-IN) to repeal the law banning firearms in the District of Columbia, to Government Reform. H2099, CR 5/2/02.

H.R. 4674 (*Norton*, D-DC) to assist local governments in conducting gun buyback programs, to Judiciary. H2164, remarks E730, CR 5/7/02.

Committee Action The Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection Subcommittee, House Energy and Commerce Committee, will mark up H.R. 2037, to amend the act establishing the Department of Commerce to protect manufacturers and sellers in the firearms and ammunition industry from restrictions on interstate or foreign commerce. 9:30 a.m., 5/9/02, 2123 Rayburn.

Committee Action On 5/9/02, the Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection Subcommittee, House Energy and Commerce Committee, approved H.R. 2037, to amend the act establishing the Department of Commerce to protect manufacturers and sellers in the firearms and ammunition industry from restrictions on interstate or foreign commerce.

H.R. 4757 (*McCarthy*, D-NY) to improve the national criminal background check system, to Judiciary. H2607, CR 5/16/02.

Committee Action The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 4757, to improve the national instant criminal background check system. 10 a.m., 7/23/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Committee Action On 7/23/02, the House Judiciary Committee approved H.R. 4757, to improve the national instant criminal background check system.

Health Law

Senate Action

S.1893 (*Harkin*, D-IA) to ban human cloning while protecting stem cell research, to Health, Education, Labor and Pensions. S100, CR 1/24/02.

Hearings The Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee will hold a hearing on genetic nondiscrimination. 10 a.m., 2/13/02, 430 Dirksen.

Hearings The Health Subcommittee, House Energy and Commerce Committee, will hold a hearing on providing affordable health insurance for the uninsured. 10 a.m., 2/28/02, 334 Cannon.

S. 2042 (*Collins*, R-ME) to expand access to affordable health care and to strengthen the health care safety net and make health care services more available in rural and underserved areas, to Finance. S2260, remarks S2262, CR 3/21/02.

Hearings The Public Health Subcommittee, Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, will hold a hearing on the safety and protection of individuals who volunteer to participate in clinical trials. 10 a.m., 4/23/02, 430 Dirksen.

Hearings The Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee will hold a hearing on changes the Bush administration is proposing to the medical privacy regulations issued by the Clinton administration. 10 a.m., 4/16/02, 216 Hart.

- S. 2392 (*Durbin*, D-IL) to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide protections for individuals who need mental health services, to Health, Education, Labor and Pensions. S3505, remarks and text S3910, CR 4/29/02.
- S. 2590 (*Jeffords*, I-VT) to amend Title IX of the Public Health Service Act to provide for the improvement of patient safety and to reduce the incidence of events that adversely affect patient safety, to Health, Education, Labor and Pensions. S5041, remarks S5052, CR 6/5/02.
- S. 2639 (*Kennedy*, D-MA) to provide health benefits for workers and their families, to Health, Education, Labor and Pensions. S5696, remarks S5707, CR 6/18/02.

House Action

- Hearings* The Employer-Employee Relations Subcommittee, House Education and the Workforce Committee, will hold a hearing titled “Assessing Mental Health Parity: Implications for Patients and Employers.” 3 p.m., 3/13/02, 2175 Rayburn.
- H.R. 4011 (*Maloney* D-NY) to establish the Stem Cell Research Board to conduct research on the effects of the president’s August 9, 2001, stem cell research directive, to Energy and Commerce. H1087, CR 3/20/02.
- H.R. 4066 (*Roukema*, R-NJ) to provide for equal coverage of mental health benefits with respect to health insurance coverage unless comparable limitations are imposed on medical and surgical benefits, to Education and the Workforce, and Energy and Commerce. H1089, CR 3/20/02.
- H.R. 4889 (*Johnson*, R-CT) to amend Title XI of the Social Security Act to improve patient safety, to Ways and Means, and Energy and Commerce. H3291, CR 6/6/02.
- Hearings* The Commercial and Administrative Law Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, will hold a hearing titled “Does Limiting Litigation Restrict Access to Health Care?” 10 a.m., 6/12/02, 2237 Rayburn.
- Hearings* The Employer-Employee Relations Subcommittee, House Education and the Workforce Committee, will hold a hearing titled “Expanding Access to Quality Health Care: Solutions for Uninsured Americans.” 10:30 a.m., 6/21/02, 2175 Rayburn.
- Hearings* The Health Subcommittee, House Energy and Commerce Committee, will hold a hearing titled “Harming Patient Access to Care: the Impact of Excessive Litigation.” 10 a.m., 7/17/02, 2123 Rayburn.
- H.R. 5140 (*Pallone*, D-NJ) to provide for a federal program to stabilize medical malpractice insurance premiums, to Energy and Commerce. H4766, CR 7/16/02.
- Hearings* The Health Subcommittee, House Energy and Commerce Committee, will hold a hearing titled “Insurance Coverage of Mental Health Benefits.” 10 a.m., 7/23/02, 2123 Rayburn.
- Committee Action* The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 4600, to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system place son the health care delivery system. 10 a.m., 7/23/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Presidential Action

On 5/3/02, the president issued an executive order establishing the president's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health. FR 22337.

Notices

On 3/27/02, the Office for Civil Rights, Department of Health and Human Services, issued a proposed rule modifying the rule entitled "Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information." Comments must be received by 4/26/02. FR 14775.

Housing/Homelessness

Senate Action

Hearings The Housing and Transportation Subcommittee, Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee, will hold a hearing on the reauthorization of homeless assistance programs. 2:30 p.m., 3/6/02, 538 Dirksen.

Hearings The Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee will hold a hearing on proposals to improve the federal Housing Voucher Programs. 2:30 p.m., 4/11/02, 538 Dirksen.

S. 2116 (*Kerry*, D-MA) to reform the program of block grants to states for temporary assistance for needy families to help states address the importance of adequate, affordable housing in promoting family progress towards self-sufficiency, to Finance. S2578, CR 4/11/02.

Hearings The Housing and Transportation Subcommittee, Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee, will hold a hearing on affordable housing and working families. 2:30 p.m., 5/15/02, 538 Dirksen.

S. 2573 (*Reed*, D-RI) to amend the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to reauthorize the act, to Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs. S4839, remarks and text S4865, CR 5/24/02.

S. 2592 (*Landrieu*, D-LA) to provide affordable housing opportunities for families that are headed by grandparents and other relatives of children, to Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs. S5041, remarks S5054, CR 6/5/02.

S. 2723 (*Leahy*, D-VT), to provide transitional housing assistance for victims of domestic violence, to Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs. S6649, remarks S6656, CR 7/11/02.

House Action

H.R. 3699 (*Crenshaw*, R-FL) to revise certain grants for continuum of care assistance for homeless individuals and families, to Financial Services. H227, CR 2/7/02.

H.R. 3774 (*Jefferson*, D-LA) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit to promote homeownership among low-income individuals, to Ways and Means. H523, CR 2/14/02.

H.R. 4033 (*Capuano*, D-MA) to provide affordable housing opportunities for families that are headed by grandparents and other relatives of children, to Financial Services. H1088, CR 3/20/02.

Hearings The Housing and Community Opportunity Subcommittee, House Financial Services Committee, will hold a hearing on legislation that would extend, expand and restructure various programs that provide subsidized housing and homeownership assistance to various groups, including the elderly and disabled, low-income individuals and families, the homeless, Native Americans and those with HIV/AIDS. 10 a.m., 4/10/02, 2128 Rayburn.

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Hearings The Oversight Subcommittee, House Ways and Means Committee, will hold a hearing on tax relief incentives for investing in renewal communities, which are economically disadvantaged communities that are eligible for federal incentives that encourage business investment and job creation. 2 p.m., 5/21/02, 1100 Longworth.

H.R. 4817 (*LaFalce*, D-NY) to improve the quality of and provide housing for elderly families, to Financial Services. H2944, CR 5/22/02.

Committee Action The Housing and Community Opportunity Subcommittee, House Financial Services Committee, will mark up H.R. 3995, to amend and extend certain laws relating to housing and community opportunity. 2 p.m., 6/18/02, 2220 Rayburn.

Committee Action On 6/18/02, the Housing and Community Opportunity Subcommittee, House Financial Services Committee, approved H.R. 3995, to amend and extend certain laws relating to housing and community opportunity.

Committee Action The House Financial Services Committee will mark up H.R. 3995, to amend and extend certain laws relating to housing and community opportunity. 10 a.m., 6/20/02, 2128 Rayburn.

Hearings The Housing and Community Opportunity Subcommittee and Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee, House Financial Services Committee, will hold a joint hearing titled "Fighting Discrimination Against the Disabled and Minorities through Fair Housing Enforcement." 2 p.m., 6/25/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action The House Financial Services Committee will mark up H.R. 3995, to amend and extend certain laws relating to housing and community opportunity. 10 a.m., 7/10/02, 2128 Rayburn.

Committee Action On 7/10/02, the House Financial Services Committee approved H.R. 3995, to amend and extend certain laws relating to housing and community opportunity.

Committee Action The Commercial and Administrative Law Subcommittee will mark up H.R. 3995, to amend and extend certain laws relating to housing and community opportunity. 5 p.m., 7/16/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Committee Action On 7/16/02, the Commercial and Administrative Law Subcommittee approved H.R. 3995, to amend and extend certain laws relating to housing and community opportunity.

Committee Action The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 3995, to amend and extend certain laws relating to housing and community opportunity. 10 a.m., 7/23/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Committee Action On 7/23/02, the House Judiciary Committee approved H.R. 3995, to amend and extend certain laws relating to housing and community opportunity.

Presidential Action

On 12/21/02, the president signed H.R. 2716 (PL 107-95), to amend Title 38, U.S. Code, to revise, improve and consolidate provisions of law providing benefits and services for homeless veterans.

Notices

On 4/9/02, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration announced the availability of fiscal year 2002 funds for grants to enable communities to expand and strengthen their treatment services for homeless individuals with substance abuse disorders and/or mental illness. FR 17085.

On 4/17/02, the Federal Housing Finance Board issued a final rule amending its regulation governing the operation of the Affordable Housing Program to improve the program's operation and effectiveness. FR 18796.

Immigration Law

Senate Action

Hearings The Employment, Safety and Training Subcommittee, Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, will hold a hearing on immigrant workers. 2 p.m., 2/27/02, 430 Dirksen.

Hearings The Immigration Subcommittee, Senate Judiciary Committee, will hold a hearing titled "Empty Seats on the Lifeboat: Are There Problems with the U.S. Refugee Program?" 3 p.m., 2/12/02, 226 Dirksen.

Hearings The Immigration Subcommittee, Senate Judiciary Committee, will hold a hearing on legislation that would establish an Office of Children's Services to coordinate and implement laws for unaccompanied immigrant children. 2:30 p.m., 2/28/02, 226 Dirksen.

Hearings The Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary Subcommittee, Senate Appropriations Committee, will hold a hearing on fiscal year 2003 appropriations for the Immigration and Naturalization Service. 10 a.m., 3/21/02, 116 Dirksen.

S. 2020 (*Gregg*, R-NH) to establish the Department of National Border Security, to Governmental Affairs. S1974, remarks S1975, CR 3/15/02.

Hearings The Immigration Subcommittee, Senate Judiciary Committee, will hold a hearing on legislation that would reauthorize, expand and revise border security and other programs of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Border Patrol, Customs Service, and consular personnel, training, facilities, and security-related technology. 9 a.m., 4/12/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will mark up S864, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that aliens who commit acts of torture, extrajudicial killings or other specified atrocities abroad are inadmissible and removable and to establish within the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice an Office of Special Investigations having responsibilities under that Act with respect to all alien participants in war crimes, genocide, and the commission of acts of torture and extrajudicial killings abroad. 10 a.m., 4/11/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action On 4/18/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved S. 864, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that aliens who commit acts of torture, extrajudicial killings, or other specified atrocities abroad are inadmissible and removable, and to establish within the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice an Office of Special Investigations having responsibilities under that act with respect to all alien participants in war crimes, genocide, and acts of torture and extrajudicial killings abroad.

Floor Action On 4/18/02, the Senate amended and passed, by a 97-0 vote, H.R. 3525, to enhance the border security of the United States.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing titled “The Immigration and Naturalization Service: How Should It Be Restructured?” 2:30 p.m., 5/2/02, 226 Dirksen.

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S. 2444 (*Kennedy*, D-MA) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve the administration and enforcement of immigration laws, to enhance the security of the United States, and to establish the Office of Children’s Services within the Department of Justice, to Judiciary. S3842, remarks and text S3844, CR 5/2/02.

S. 2493 (*Daschle*, D-SD) to amend the Immigration and nationality Act to provide a limited extension of the program under Section 245(i) of that act, to Judiciary. S4145, remarks and text S4155, CR 5/9/02.

Committee Action On 5/16/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee amended and approved S. 672, to amend the Immigration and nationality Act to provide for the continued classification of certain aliens as children for purposes of that act in cases where the aliens “age-out” while awaiting immigration processing; and H.R. 1209, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to determine whether an alien is a child, for purposes of classification as an immediate relative, based on the age of the alien on the date the classification petition with respect to the alien is filed.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will mark up S.1291, to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to permit states to determine state residency for higher education purposes and to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain alien college-bound students who are long-term U.S. residents. 10 a.m., 6/13/02, 226 Dirksen.

Floor Action On 6/13/02, the Senate amended and passed S.672, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the continued classification of certain aliens as children for purposes of that act in cases where the aliens “age-out” while awaiting immigration processing; and H.R. 1209, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to determine whether an alien is a child, for purposes of classification as an immediate relative, based on the age of the alien on the date the classification petition with respect to the alien is filed.

Hearings The Immigration Subcommittee, Senate Judiciary Committee, will hold a hearing titled “Immigration Reform and the Reorganization of Homeland Defense.” 2 p.m., 6/26/02, 226 Dirksen.

House Action

Hearings The Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources Subcommittee, House Government Reform Committee, will hold a field hearing on border security and international commerce. 9 a.m., 1/31/02, Central Public Library, San Diego, California.

Hearings The Immigration and Claims Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, will hold an oversight hearing on the operations of the Executive Office for Immigration Review. 2 p.m., 2/6/02, 2237 Rayburn.

H.R. 3714 (*Hastings*, D-FL) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to facilitate entry into the United States by nonimmigrant aliens for brief temporary stays for the serious illness or death of a member of a member of the alien’s immediate family, to Judiciary. H283, CR 2/12/02.

Floor Action On 2/26/02, the House passed, by a 404-3 vote, H.R. 1892, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the acceptance of an affidavit of support from another eligible sponsor if the original sponsor has died and the Attorney General has determined for humanitarian reasons that the original sponsor’s classification petition should not be revoked, clearing the measure for the president.

Hearings The Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary Subcommittee, House Appropriations Committee, will hold a hearing on fiscal year 2003 appropriations for the Immigration and Naturalization Service. 2 p.m., 3/7/02, 2359 Rayburn.

H.R. 3846 (*Frank*, D-MA) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize the submission of an application for naturalization under Section 322 of such act on behalf of a child by the child’s grandparent or legal guardian, if the parent who otherwise would be authorized to submit such application is deceased, to Judiciary. H687, CR 3/5/02.

Floor Action On 3/12/02, the House passed H. Res. 365, to enhance the border security of the United States, and to expand the class of beneficiaries who may apply for adjustment of status under Section 245(i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act by extending the deadline for classification petition and labor certification filing.

Committee Action The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 3231, to replace the Immigration and Naturalization Service with the Agency for Immigration Affairs. Time TBA, 3/9/02 and 3/10/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Hearings The Immigration and Claims Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, will hold a hearing on the notification received from the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) by Huffman Aviation International of the approval of student visas for Mohammed Atta and Marwan Al-Shehhi, who are suspected of being among the terrorists killed on Sept. 11, and whether INS management is capable of the dual mission of processing immigration applications and maintaining border security. 4 p.m., 3/19/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Committee Action The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 3231, to replace the Immigration and Naturalization Service with the Agency for Immigration Affairs. Time TBA, 4/9/02 and 4/10/02, 2141 Rayburn.

H.R. 4010 (*Weldon*, R-FL) to provide for a temporary moratorium on visas for certain aliens, to Judiciary. H1087, CR 3/20/02.

H.R. 4058 (*Lofgren*, D-CA) to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to require the Immigration and Naturalization Service to verify whether an alien has an immigration status rendering the alien eligible for service in the armed forces of the United States and to achieve parity between the immigration status required for employment as an airport security screener and the immigration status required for service in the armed forces, and to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit naturalization through active-duty military service during specified military operations, to Judiciary, and Transportation and Infrastructure. H1088, CR 3/20/02.

H.R. 4074 (*Smith*, R-NJ) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to reaffirm the U.S. historic commitment to protecting refugees who are fleeing persecution or torture, to Judiciary. H1089, CR 3/20/02.

Hearings The House Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing titled "Restructuring the INS: How the Agency's Dysfunctional Structure Impedes the Performance of its Dual Mission," focusing on legislation that would abolish the INS and replace it with two independent agencies, one for enforcement and one for services. 3 p.m., 4/0/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Committee Action The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 3231, to replace the Immigration and Naturalization Service with the Immigration and Naturalization Service with the Agency for Immigration Affairs. 10:30 am, 4/10/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Committee Action On 4/10/02, the House Judiciary Committee approved H.R. 3231, to replace the Immigration and Naturalization Service with the Agency for Immigration Affairs.

Committee Action The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 1452, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit certain long-term permanent resident aliens to seek cancellation of removal under such act. 10 a.m., 4/24/02, 2141 Rayburn.

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Committee Action The Immigration and Claims Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, will mark up H.R. 4597, to prevent nonimmigrant aliens who are delinquent in child support payments from gaining entry into the United States. 11 a.m., 5/2/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Committee Action On 5/2/02, the Immigration and Claims Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, approved H.R. 4597, to prevent nonimmigrant aliens who are delinquent in child support payments from gaining entry into the United States.

Floor Action On 5/8/02, the House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3525, to enhance the border security of the United States.

Committee Action The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 1452, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit certain long-term permanent resident aliens to seek cancellation of removal under such act. 10 a.m., 5/15/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Committee Action The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 1452, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit certain long-term permanent resident aliens to seek cancellation of removal under such act. 10 a.m., 6/6/02, 2141 Rayburn.

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Hearings The Immigration and Claims Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, will hold an oversight hearing titled "The Immigration and Naturalization Service's Interior Enforcement Strategy." 2 p.m., 6/19/02, 2237 Rayburn.

Committee Action The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 1452, to amend the Immigration and nationality Act to permit certain long-term permanent resident aliens to seek cancellation of removal under such act. 10 a.m., 6/18/02, 2141 Rayburn.

H.R. 4999 (*Pastor*, D-AZ) to adjust the status of certain aliens with longstanding ties to the United States to that of an alien lawfully admitted to permanent residence, to Judiciary. H3825, CR 6/21/02.

Hearings The Immigration, Border Security and Claims Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, will hold an oversight hearing titled "The Role of Immigration in the Department of Homeland Security." 3 p.m., 6/27/02, 2237 Rayburn.

H.R. 5013 (*Gekas*, R-PA) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to bar the admission, and facilitate the removal of alien terrorists and their supporters and fundraisers, to secure our borders against terrorists, drug traffickers, and other illegal aliens, to facilitate the removal of illegal aliens and aliens who are criminals or human rights abusers, to reduce visa, document, employment, and voting fraud, and to reform the legal immigration system, to Judiciary. H3927, CR 6/25/02.

H.R. 5073 (*Baca*, D-CA) to enhance the security and efficiency of the immigration, visa, border patrol and naturalization functions of the U.S. government, to Judiciary. H4424, CR 7/9/02.

Committee Action The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 1452, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit certain long-term permanent resident aliens to seek cancellation of removal under such act. 10 a.m., 7/17/02, 2141 Rayburn.

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Floor Action On 7/22/02, the House passed H.R. 1209, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to determine whether an alien is a child, for purposes of classification as an immediate relative, based on the age of the alien on the date the classification petition with respect to the alien is filed, clearing the measure for the president.

Committee Action On 7/23/02, the House Judiciary Committee approved H.R. 1452, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit certain long-term permanent resident aliens to seek cancellation of removal under such act.

Presidential Action

On 5/14/02, the president signed H.R. 3525 (PL 107-173), the Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act of 2002.

Notices

On 1/14/01, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Department of Justice, issued a proposed rule on procedures for processing juveniles in INS custody, and reopened the comment period. Comments are due by 3/15/02. FR 1670.

On 1/31/02, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, DOJ, issued an interim rule with a request for comments on a new classification and eligibility for nonimmigrant status for victims of severe forms of trafficking in persons. Comments must be received by 4/1/02. FR 4784.

On 2/19/02, the Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, issued a proposed rule that will revise the structure and procedures of the Board of Immigration Appeals, provide for an enhanced case management procedure, and expand the number of cases referred to a single Board member for disposition. Comments are due by 3/21/02. FR 7309.

On 2/25/02, the Department of State issued an interim rule amending the Department's regulations pertaining to the fingerprinting of nonimmigrants and immigrants and setting forth conditions for the use of criminal history records provided by the FBI. Comments are due by 4/26/02. FR 8477.

On 4/22/02, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Department of Justice, issued an interim rule governing the public disclosure by any state or local government entity or by a privately operated facility of the name or other information relating to any immigration detainee being housed or otherwise maintained or provided service on behalf of the INS. Comments must be received by 5/21/02. FR 19508.

On 5/9/02, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and the Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, issued a proposed rule that would require aliens subject to a final order of removal to surrender themselves to the INS. Comments must be received by 6/10/02. FR 31157.

On 5/28/02, the Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, issued an interim rule with a request for comments authorizing immigration judges to issue protective orders and seal records relating to law enforcement of national security information. Comments are due by 7/29/02.

On 6/7/02, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, issued a final rule concerning the delegation of authorities for alien detention and removal and the parole, detention, care and custody of alien juveniles. FR 39255.

On 6/13/02, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Department of Justice, issued a proposed rule that would require certain nonimmigrant aliens to make specific reports to the INS upon arrival; approximately 30 days after arrival; every 12 months after arrival; upon certain events such as a change of address, employment or school; and at the time of departure from the United States. FR 40581.

On /24/02, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, issued a final rule permitting the Attorney General to authorize state or local law enforcement officers to exercise federal immigration enforcement authority during a mass influx of aliens. FR 48354.