





The 114th Congress Has Been Largely Inactive on Immigration Only Passing One Immigration Bill

Immigration Bills Passed in House or Signed by President

Bill Sponsor	Bill Number	Major Provisions of the Bill	Status
 <p>Rep. Duncan Hunter (CA-50)</p>	<p>H.R. 3009: Enforce the Law for Sanctuary Cities Act</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Punish “sanctuary cities” • End funding from the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program to state or local governments that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (1) inhibit the enforcement of federal immigration laws or; • (2) prohibit officials from gathering information on that person’s citizenship 	<p>Passed House July 23, 2015</p>
 <p>Rep. Martha McSally (AZ-2)</p>	<p>H.R. 1634: Border Security Technology Accountability Act of 2015</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seeks to contain costs for Department of Homeland Security (DHS) border security technology purchases • Requires DHS to ensure any border security technology acquisition over \$300 million is keeping costs contained and report their results 	<p>Passed House July 27, 2015</p>
 <p>Rep. Candice Miller (MN-10)</p>	<p>H.R. 158: Visa Waiver Program Improvement and Terrorist Travel Prevention Act of 2015</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amends Visa Waiver program to freeze all applicants coming from Iraq and Syria • DHS can review individual cases and grant exceptions to blanket freeze 	<p>Passed House Dec. 8, 2015</p>
 <p>Senator Dianne Feinstein (CA)</p>	<p>S. 1300: Adoptive Family Relief Act</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waives or refunds any visa fees for child being adopted into family after March 2013 if the child could not use their original immigrant visa • This applies only because of extraordinary circumstances 	<p>Signed by President Oct. 16, 2015</p>

Sources: On the Issues, “Immigration,” March 3, 2016; Ballotpedia, “2016 Presidential Candidates on Immigration,” March 3, 2016; Lydia Tomkiw, “Immigration Reform: Where Do Donald Trump, Hillary Clinton, and Other Presidential Candidates Stand?” International Business Times, February 29, 2016; Congress.gov.

Republican Congress Declared They Will Not Take Up Immigration Reform While Obama is President

Statements by Republican Leadership on Not Passing Immigration Reform



“I think he's [Obama] proven untrustworthy on this issue. He tried to go around Congress with an executive order to rewrite laws unilaterally. Presidents don't write laws. Congress writes laws. So yes, I do not believe we should and we won't bring immigration legislation with a president we cannot trust on this issue.”

- **Speaker Paul Ryan**, announcing no immigration reform will happen until the next president



“I think when the president took the action he did, after the 2014 election, he pretty much made it impossible for us to go forward with immigration reform this Congress....And so the atmosphere for dealing with that issue in the wake of what he did is not appropriate to get the kind of immigration reform that we probably need to address.”

-**Republican Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell**

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