

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 7164, With an Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

115TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 7164

To add Ireland to the E–3 nonimmigrant visa program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 20, 2018

Mr. SENSENBRENNER (for himself and Mr. NEAL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To add Ireland to the E–3 nonimmigrant visa program.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. E–3 VISAS FOR IRISH NATIONALS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 101(a)(15)(E)(iii) of the
5 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
6 1101(a)(15)(E)(iii)) is amended by inserting “or, on a
7 basis of reciprocity as determined by the Secretary of
8 State, a national of Ireland,” after “Australia”.

1 (b) EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS.—Section 212 of the
2 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182) is
3 amended—

4 (1) by redesignating the second subsection (t)
5 (as added by section 1(b)(2)(B) of Public Law 108–
6 449 (118 Stat. 3470)) as subsection (u); and

7 (2) by adding at the end of subsection (t)(1)
8 (as added by section 402(b)(2) of Public Law 108–
9 77 (117 Stat. 941)) the following:

10 “(E) In the case of an attestation filed with re-
11 spect to a national of Ireland described in section
12 101(a)(15)(E)(iii), the employer is, and will remain
13 during the period of authorized employment of such
14 Irish national, a participant in good standing in the
15 E-Verify program described in section 403(a) of the
16 Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Respon-
17 sibility Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1324a note).”.

18 (c) APPLICATION ALLOCATION.—Paragraph (11) of
19 section 214(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
20 U.S.C. 1184(g)(11)) is amended to read as follows:

21 “(11)(A) The Secretary of State may approve
22 initial applications submitted for aliens described in
23 section 101(a)(15)(E)(iii) only as follows:

1 “(i) For applicants who are nationals of
2 the Commonwealth of Australia, not more than
3 10,500 for a fiscal year.

4 “(ii) For applicants who are nationals of
5 Ireland, not more than a number equal to the
6 difference between 10,500 and the number of
7 applications approved in the prior fiscal year
8 for aliens who are nationals of the Common-
9 wealth of Australia.

10 “(B) The approval of an application described
11 under subparagraph (A)(ii) shall be deemed for nu-
12 merical control purposes to have occurred on Sep-
13 tember 30 of the prior fiscal year.

14 “(C) The numerical limitation under subpara-
15 graph (A) shall only apply to principal aliens and
16 not to the spouses or children of such aliens.”.