

Senate Judiciary Committee Approves Gang of Eight's Comprehensive Immigration Reform Bill

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On May 21, 2013, after two weeks of debates and hundreds of considered amendments, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved a broad overhaul of the nation's current immigration laws. The most significant immigration policy changes in decades is now before the full Senate. Debate is expected to begin in June.

The Congressional Budget Office will evaluate the bill's projected economic impact. Even with the projected changes of the bill through the amendment process, the House of Representatives is unlikely to pass the bill in its current form. The House is expected to present its own comprehensive immigration reform legislation for debate. If legislation passes both houses, it could be on President Obama's desk for signature by this Fall.

We will provide more details as the debate on comprehensive immigration reform continues. For additional information or questions please contact Attorney Silas Ruiz-Steele, Chair of the Immigration Section, at 610-898-7153 or sruizsteele@barley.com.

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