



HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 180

By Reeves

A RESOLUTION urging the federal government to streamline the legal immigration process.

WHEREAS, enforcing our nation's immigration laws is critically important to the national security and public safety of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the American people deserve a federal government that puts their interests first and a government that understands its sacred obligation to prioritize the safety, security, and financial and economic well-being of Americans; and

WHEREAS, to this end, our country and the State of Tennessee would benefit greatly from streamling the legal immigration process; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we urge the federal government to streamline the legal immigration process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be delivered to the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump; the Speaker and the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives; the President and the Secretary of the U.S. Senate; and each member of Tennessee's Congressional delegation.

Amendment No. 1 to HJR0180

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**AMEND <SB>**

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by deleting all language after the caption and substituting:

WHEREAS, the United States of America has always welcomed those who lawfully seek to contribute to our nation by respecting its laws, embracing its values, and pursuing the American Dream through legal means; and

WHEREAS, enforcing our nation's immigration laws is essential to safeguarding the national security, economic strength, and public safety of the United States; and

WHEREAS, a lawful and orderly legal immigration system that is efficient, cost-effective, and secure is a critical tool in maintaining lawful immigration and upholding the integrity of our borders; and

WHEREAS, the current legal immigration process is often hampered by unnecessary bureaucracy, lengthy delays, and excessive costs, which place an undue burden on those who seek to immigrate lawfully; and

WHEREAS, streamlining the legal immigration process will reinforce national security by channeling lawful immigration through an accountable, transparent system and by reducing the strain on border enforcement resources caused by illegal entry; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the federal government to place the interests of American citizens first by enforcing immigration laws consistently and ensuring that those who respect our legal process are not disadvantaged by government inefficiency; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we urge the federal government to streamline the legal immigration

process by eliminating unnecessary delays, reducing bureaucratic obstacles, and lowering excessive fees for lawful applicants, while maintaining rigorous security standards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we call upon the President of the United States and Congress to enact immigration reforms that reinforce the rule of law, protect American workers and taxpayers, and prioritize the safety, security, and economic interests of the United States and its citizens.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump; the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives; the President and Secretary of the United States Senate; and each member of Tennessee's Congressional delegation.