



RPC Highlight

H.R. 176 - *No Immigration Benefits for Hamas Terrorists Act of 2025*

Sponsored by Rep. Tom McClintock (CA-05)
RPC Region 15

Bill Summary:

The *No Immigration Benefits for Hamas Terrorists Act of 2025* amends the *Immigration and Nationality Act* to make individuals associated with Hamas or the Palestinian Islamic Jihad, or anyone who carried out or assisted with terrorism against Israel on October 7, 2023, inadmissible to and deportable from the United States. It also makes these individuals ineligible for deportation relief under U.S. immigration laws, including through asylum.

This legislation would require the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit an annual report to Congress on the number of individuals found inadmissible and deportable under this act.

Policy Background:

On October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorists murdered over 1,200 people, including 46 Americans, carrying out the most brutal terrorist attack in Israel's history. Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad have both been designated as a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) in the United States since 1997.

Between Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 and 2023, the Department of Homeland Security released nearly 100 of the 250 illegal aliens on the terror watchlist that were encountered by Border Patrol. Total U.S. Border Patrol Terrorism-Related Encounters Between Ports of Entry of Non-U.S. Citizens reached 392 during the Biden Administration.

Information from the Lead Sponsor's Office:

Press Release, February 26, 2025.

Committee Action:

This legislation received a markup and was reported favorably by the House Judiciary Committee on March 21, 2025, by voice vote.

Previous House Consideration:

This legislation previously passed the House of Representatives on January 31, 2024, by a vote of 422-2.