



Upholding the Law at Our Border Act

The *Upholding the Law at Our Border Act* would require the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security to investigate the vetting and processing of migrants apprehended along the southern border and to ensure that all laws are being upheld.

Specifically, this bill would require the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security to conduct an investigation and submit a report to Congress with:

- Vetting procedures of those apprehended along the southern border of the United States;
- Total number of illegal migrants who were processed and released into the interior of the United States;
- Number of individuals who received parole;
- Results of the audit of parole applications;
- Total number of illegal migrants who have been placed in removal proceedings including how many have been removed and how many are eligible for immigrant benefits;
- Results of the audit of asylum applications;
- Total number of illegal migrants who have been placed in expedited removal proceedings;
- Efforts of the Department of Homeland Security to continually monitor all of the individuals who were apprehended along the southwest border of the United States and then released on parole;
- Total number of illegal migrants who were processed and released into the interior of the United States without participating in an alternative to the detention program; and
- States and counties in which the Department of Homeland Security or the Department of Health and Human Services has resettled illegal migrants since January 20, 2021.

This bill was introduced in the Senate by Senator Rick Scott (R-FL) on November 18, 2021. It was cosponsored by Senators Tommy Tuberville (R-AL), Marsha Blackburn (R-TN), Ron Johnson (R-WI), Rob Portman (R-OH), James Lankford (R-OK), and Mike Lee (R-UT).

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