

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 427

To transfer the administration of the H-2A program from the Secretary of Labor to the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 21, 2021

Mr. STEUBE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Moving H-2A to
5 United States Department of Agriculture Act of 2021”.

6 **SEC. 2. ADMINISTRATION OF H-2A PROGRAM.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 218 of the Immigration
8 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1188) is amended—

9 (1) by striking “Secretary of Labor” and in-
10 serting “Secretary of Agriculture”; and

1 (2) by striking “Attorney General” and insert-
2 ing “Secretary of Homeland Security”.

3 (b) TIMING.—

4 (1) EFFECTIVE DATE OF AMENDMENTS.—The
5 amendments made in subsection (a) shall take effect
6 on the date that is 60 days after the date of the en-
7 actment of this section.

8 (2) TRANSFER OF PROGRAM ADMINISTRA-
9 TION.—On the date that is 60 days after the date
10 of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of
11 Labor shall take such actions as are necessary to
12 provide to the Secretary of Agriculture any per-
13 sonnel, funding, and other materials necessary to
14 transfer administration of the H-2A program under
15 section 218 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
16 (8 U.S.C. 1188), to the Secretary of Agriculture.

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