



NO BAN Act Summary

National Origin-Based Antidiscrimination for Nonimmigrants Act
A Bill to End the Muslim Ban & Prevent Future Discriminatory Bans
(Coons/Chu) (To Be Introduced on April 10, 2019)

THE IMPACT OF THE MUSLIM BAN

- **The Muslim Ban harms families.** In the two years since President Trump's Muslim Ban went into effect, countless families have been needlessly separated, people have been denied access to lifesaving medical treatments, children have been denied their parents and grandparents, and people have missed the births, deaths, weddings, and funerals of loved ones.
- **It also harms our economy.** More than [160 tech companies](#), [major medical industry groups and hospitals](#), and [travel industry groups](#) have all spoken out because the ban is bad for their business. There are cases of highly-skilled [researchers](#), [physicians](#), [artists](#), and others who have not been able to bring their talents to the United States because of the ban.
- **The Muslim Ban fuels anti-Muslim violence and discrimination.** The ban promotes the dangerous myth that Muslims are inherently foreign, violent and pose a threat to the U.S. Furthermore, the federal government's endorsement of anti-Muslim discrimination has contributed to a significant spike in hate crimes against American Muslims and widespread attacks and planned attacks on mosques and Muslim communities.

WHAT THE NO BAN ACT WILL DO

- **The NO BAN Act will end the Muslim Ban and the scourge of religious discrimination in immigration.** The NO BAN Act will amend the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) to prohibit discrimination on the basis of religion and ensure that no president will ever again be able to ban an entire community without accountability.
 - **It also fixes Immigration and Nationality Act loopholes.** When the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the Muslim Ban, it cited a very broad INA provision that allows the president to prevent people from entering the U.S. The NO BAN Act tightens this provision and creates much needed limitations and accountability for any president who wishes to use this authority.
 - In addition to terminating the Muslim Ban, the bill ends the asylum ban and enhanced restrictions on refugees preventing them from entering the U.S.
- **The NO BAN Act is a civil rights victory for all people.** Laws restricting immigration have been used to prevent Jews, Catholics, Mormon, and Muslims from entering the U.S. or enjoying the same rights and privileges as their fellow Americans. The NO BAN Act would help ensure that this discrimination does not continue and promote the core value of religious freedom.

CONGRESS MUST ACT

The House and Senate need to move forward with this historic civil rights bill. Religious liberty and equal treatment under the law are not partisan issues. By supporting the NO BAN Act and having hearings and mark-ups on the bill, Congress will send a message to the country that discrimination is not acceptable and must stop.

Muslim Advocates is a national civil rights organization working in the courts, in the halls of power and in communities to halt bigotry in its tracks so that all Americans may live free from hate and discrimination. (www.muslimadvocates.org)