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Obama Signs FY10 DHS Spending Bill; Four Immigration-Related Programs Extended through 2012

On 10/28/09, President Obama signed into law the FY10 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations bill (P.L.111-83).

The law extends the non-minister religious worker (section 568), the "Conrad 30" (section 568), the EB-5 Immigrant Investor visa (section 548), and the E-Verify (section 547) programs through September 30, 2012.

The law also includes statutory authority for USCIS to complete processing of permanent residence applications for surviving spouses and other relatives of immigration sponsors who die during the adjudication process (section 568).

The bill was previously approved by the House of Representatives on 10/15/09 by a 307-114 roll call vote, and by the Senate on 10/20/09 by a 79-19 vote.