

112TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3024

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 22, 2011

Mr. HANNA (for himself and Ms. HOCHUL) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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 “Access to Agricultural  
5 Labor Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. NONIMMIGRANT STATUS FOR DAIRY WORKERS AND**  
7 **SHEEPHERDERS.**

8 Section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a) of the Immigration and  
9 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a)) is  
10 amended by inserting after “abandoning” the following:

1 “who is coming temporarily to the United States to per-  
2 form agricultural labor or services as a shepherd or  
3 dairy worker, or”.

4 **SEC. 3. SPECIAL RULE FOR PERIOD OF ADMISSION OF H-2A**  
5 **NONIMMIGRANTS EMPLOYED AS SHEEP-**  
6 **HERDERS OR DAIRY WORKERS.**

7 Section 218(h) of the Immigration and Nationality  
8 Act (8 U.S.C. 1188(h)) is amended by adding at the end  
9 of the following:

10 “(3) In the case of an alien admitted as an H-  
11 2A worker for employment as a shepherd of dairy  
12 worker—

13 “(A) the initial period of admission shall  
14 be for a period of 3 years;

15 “(B) the period of admission may be ex-  
16 tended for additional periods of 3 years; and

17 “(C) no period of absence from the United  
18 States may be required as a condition of ap-  
19 proval of an extension under subparagraph  
20 (B).”.

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