

Reforming American Immigration for a Strong Economy Act (RAISE Act), <u>S. 354</u>

This bill would replace the current system for 140,000 employer-based legal visas with the following point-based system for all non-family based immigrants.

RAISE Act Criteria	Points Assigned
Age	Max points: 10
0-17	May not submit an application
18-21	6
22-25	8
26-30	10
31-35	8
36-40	6
41-45	4
46-50	2
51+	0
Education	Max points: 13
U.S. high school diploma or foreign equivalent	1
Foreign bachelor's degree	5
U.S. bachelor's degree	6
Foreign master's degree in STEM	7
U.S. master's degree in STEM	8
Foreign professional or doctorate degree in STEM	10
U.S. professional or doctorate degree in STEM	13
English Language Proficiency	Max points: 12
1 st -5 th decile	0
6 th and 7 th deciles	6
8 th decile	10
9 th decile	11
10 th decile	12
Extraordinary Achievement	Max points: 25
Nobel Laureate or comparable recognition in a field of scientific or social scientific study	25
Individual Olympic medal winner or placed first in an international sporting event	15
Job Offer	Max points: 13
Salary offer at least 150% of median household income in state of employment and less than 200% of such median household income	5
Salary offer at least 200% of median household income in state of employment and less than 300% of such median household income	8
Salary offer at least 300% of median household income in state of employment	13
Investment	Max points: 12
Invest at least \$1,350,000 in a new commercial enterprise in the U.S., maintain investment for three years, and play active management role	6
Invest at least \$1,800,00 in a new commercial enterprise in the U.S., maintain investment for three years, and play an active management role	12
Valid Offer of Admission Under Family Preference Category	Max points: 2
Scheduled to receive an immigrant visa and did not do so in first year after enactment of bill	2