



EMAIL BULLETIN

## **FRENCH LOWER HOUSE PASSES RESTRICTIVE IMMIGRATION BILL**

### **The Bill Has Moved to the Upper House for Debate and Vote**

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The upper house of French Parliament voted 367-164 to pass an immigration bill further restricting immigration to France. The bill would restrict entry for those seeking employment in unskilled or less-skilled positions, prompting criticism and accusations of xenophobia from opponents. The bill, which has moved to the upper house for debate and vote, is said by advocates to emphasize competence and talent while tightening restrictions on high numbers of migrant family members moving to France, who are seen by some as a burden on the French system for social benefits.

For further information on “outbound” emigration to France or other countries around the world, please contact your Tindall & Foster immigration attorney. Your Tindall & Foster attorney will work with the Tindall & Foster Emigration Practice Group to assess and develop a strategy for meeting your company’s global immigration needs.