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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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AN ACT

To provide for the revision of the requirements for a Canadian border boat landing permit pursuant to section 235 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and to require the Attorney General to report to the Congress on the impact on such revision.

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. CHANGE IN CANADIAN BORDER BOAT LANDING**

4 **PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.**

5 (a) REVISED REGULATIONS.—Not later than 60 days
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Attorney
7 General, in consultation with the Commissioner of Immi-
8 gration and Naturalization, shall issue revised regulations
9 for the implementation of section 235 of the Immigration
10 and Nationality Act with respect to the requirement that
11 certain individuals entering the United States from Can-
12 ada by boat obtain a landing permit. The revised regula-
13 tions shall provide that, in the case of a United States
14 citizen traveling in a boat of not more than 65 feet in
15 length (including a boat used for commercial purposes) on
16 a trip between the United States and Canada of not more
17 than 72 hours duration, the citizen need not obtain such
18 a permit if—

19 (1) the citizen carries a United States passport
20 for the duration of the trip; and

21 (2) the citizen is not an owner, or an operator,
22 of the boat.

23 (b) SUNSET.—The revised regulations issued under
24 subsection (a) shall cease to be effective on December 31,
25 1998. After such date, the regulations that were in effect

1 on the day before the enactment of this Act with respect
2 to the requirement that certain individuals entering the
3 United States from Canada by boat obtain a landing per-
4 mit shall resume to be effective, in the same manner and
5 to the same extent as if this Act had not been enacted.

6 (c) REPORT.—Not later than March 1, 1999, the At-
7 torney General shall report to the Congress on the impact
8 of the revised regulations issued under subsection (a) on
9 the number and nature of unauthorized entrances by indi-
10 viduals into the United States.

Passed the House of Representatives September 23,
1997.

Attest:

ROBIN H. CARLE,

Clerk.

By JEFF TRANDAHL,

Deputy Clerk.