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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Justice for Victims
3 of Communism Act of 1997”.

4 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY FOR REFUGEE STATUS.**

5 Section 584 of the Foreign Operations, Export Fi-
6 nancing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1997
7 (Public Law 104–208; 110 Stat. 3009–171) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a)—

9 (A) by striking “For purposes” and insert-
10 ing “Notwithstanding any other provision of
11 law, for purposes”; and

12 (B) by striking “fiscal year 1997” and in-
13 serting “fiscal years 1997 and 1998”; and

14 (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-
15 lows:

16 “(b) ALIENS COVERED.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An alien described in this
18 subsection is an alien who—

19 “(A) is the son or daughter of a qualified
20 national;

21 “(B) is 21 years of age or older; and

22 “(C) was unmarried as of the date of ac-
23 ceptance of the alien’s parent for resettlement
24 under the Orderly Departure Program.

1 “(2) QUALIFIED NATIONAL.—For purposes of
2 paragraph (1), the term ‘qualified national’ means a
3 national of Vietnam who—

4 “(A)(i) was formerly interned in a reeduca-
5 tion camp in Vietnam by the Government of the
6 Socialist Republic of Vietnam; or

7 “(ii) is the widow or widower of an individ-
8 ual described in clause (i); and

9 “(B)(i) qualified for refugee processing
10 under the reeducation camp internees subpro-
11 gram of the Orderly Departure Program; and

12 “(ii) on or after April 1, 1995, is or has
13 been accepted—

14 “(I) for resettlement as a refugee; or

15 “(II) for admission as an immigrant
16 under the Orderly Departure Program.”.

Passed the House of Representatives November 13,
1997.

Attest:

Clerk.