

## AMENDMENTS

## In the House of Representatives, U. S.,

October 1, 1997.

*Resolved*, That the bill from the Senate (S. 1198) entitled "An Act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide permanent authority for entry into the United States of certain religious workers.", do pass with the following

## **AMENDMENTS:**

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert: 1 SECTION 1. 3-YEAR EXTENSION OF SPECIAL IMMIGRANT 2 RELIGIOUS WORKER PROGRAM.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 101(a)(27)(C)(ii) of the
4 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
5 1101(a)(27)(C)(ii)) is amended by striking "1997," each
6 place it appears and inserting "2000,".

7 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by sub8 section (a) shall take effect on the date of the enactment
9 of this Act.

## 10 SEC. 2. WAIVER OF NONIMMIGRANT VISA FEES FOR CER-11 TAIN CHARITABLE PURPOSES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 281 of the Immigration
and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1351) is amended by adding

at the end the following new sentence: "Subject to such cri-1 teria as the Secretary of State may prescribe, including the 2 duration of stay of the alien and the financial burden upon 3 4 the charitable organization, the Secretary of State shall waive or reduce the fee for application and issuance of a 5 nonimmigrant visa for any alien coming to the United 6 7 States primarily for, or in activities related to, a charitable 8 purpose involving health or nursing care, the provision of 9 food or housing, job training, or any other similar direct service or assistance to poor or otherwise needy individuals 10 11 in the United States.".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the enactment
of this Act.

15 SEC. 3. 6-MONTH EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR DESIGNA16 TION OF EFFECTIVE DATE FOR PAPERWORK
17 CHANGES IN EMPLOYER SANCTIONS PRO18 GRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 412(e)(1) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of
1996 (Public law 104–208; 110 Stat. 3009–668) is amended
by striking "12" and inserting "18".

23 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by sub24 section (a) shall take effect as if included in the enactment

1 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Respon-

2 sibility Act of 1996.

Amend the title so as to read "A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the special immigrant religious worker program, to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to extend the deadline for designation of an effective date for paperwork changes in the employer sanctions program, and to require the Secretary of State to waive or reduce the fee for application and issuance of a nonimmigrant visa for aliens coming to the United States for certain charitable purposes.".

Attest:

Clerk.