One Hundred Sixth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of January, two thousand

An Act

To amend the Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act of 2000 to extend the applicability of that Act to certain former spouses of deceased Hmong veterans.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF HMONG VETERANS' NATURALIZATION ACT OF 2000 TO CERTAIN FORMER SPOUSES OF DECEASED HMONG VETERANS.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2 of the Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-207; 114 Stat. 316; 8 U.S.C. 1423 note) is amended—
 - (1) in paragraph (1), by striking "or" at the end;
 - (2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at the end and inserting "; or"; and
 (3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
 - "(3) who—
 - "(A) satisfies the requirement of paragraph (1)(A); and
 - "(B) is the surviving spouse of a person described in paragraph (1)(B) which described person was killed or died
- in Laos, Thailand, or Vietnam.".
 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 3 of such Act is amended by striking "or (2)" and inserting ", (2), or (3)".

SEC. 2. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION.

Section 6 of such Act is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence: "In the case of a person described in section 2(3), the application referred to in the preceding sentence, and

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appropriate fees, shall be filed not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this sentence.".

 $Speaker\ of\ the\ House\ of\ Representatives.$

Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate.