

FOR THE RELIEF OF GUY TAYLOR

OCTOBER 11, 2000.—Referred to the Private Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. SMITH of Texas, from the Committee on the Judiciary,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany S. 2000]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill (S. 2000) for the relief of Guy Taylor, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

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PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

S. 2000 would allow Guy D. Taylor to adjust to permanent resident status.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR THE LEGISLATION

Guy D. Taylor was born in Canada in November 1981. Guy's father died prior to his birth. Guy entered the United States shortly after his birth with his U.S. citizen mother. They resided in the United States until his was 9 years old. In 1990, he and his mother returned to Canada. In 1998, his mother died of a drug overdose,

leaving Guy without any family except his grandmother and other family members in southern California.

When Guy's mother died, his grandmother flew to Canada to obtain her daughter's body and bring Guy back to the United States. The grandmother obtained legal custody of Guy from the Canadian courts. The I.N.S. granted Guy a 1-year humanitarian parole to enter the U.S. That parole was extended for 1 more year but has now expired. An attempt was made to gain permanent residence for Guy by having him declared a dependent of the U.S. court. However, he was judged not to be eligible as a court dependent because he was under the guardianship of his grandmother. Because of Guy's age, he cannot be deemed for immigration purposes as a dependent of his grandmother.

Guy has tested and qualified for enlistment in the U.S. Army. In order to join, he must have permanent resident status.

COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

On October 11, 2000, the Committee on the Judiciary met in open session and ordered reported favorably the bill S. 2000 without amendment by voice vote, a quorum being present.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS

In compliance with clause 2(1)(3)(A) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the committee reports that the findings and recommendations of the committee, based on oversight activities under clause 2(b)(1) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives, are incorporated in the descriptive portions of this report.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REFORM FINDINGS

No findings or recommendations of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight were received as referred to in clause 2(1)(3)(D) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives.

NEW BUDGET AUTHORITY AND TAX EXPENDITURES

Clause 2(1)(3)(B) of House Rule XI is inapplicable because this legislation does not provide new budgetary authority or increased tax expenditures.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

In compliance with clause 3(d)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the committee believes that the bill would have no significant impact on the Federal budget. This is based on the Congressional Budget Office cost estimate on S. 2000. That Congressional Budget Office cost estimate follows:

U.S. CONGRESS,
 CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
 Washington, DC, October 11, 2000.

Hon. HENRY J. HYDE, *Chairman,*
Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed 11 private relief acts, which were ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on October 11, 2000. CBO estimates that their enactment would have no significant impact on the federal budget. These acts could have a very small effect on fees collected by the Immigration and Naturalization Service and on benefits paid under certain federal entitlement programs. Because these fees and expenditures are classified as direct spending, pay-as-you-go procedures would apply. The act reviewed is:

- S. 2000, an act for the relief of Guy Taylor;

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Mark Grabowicz, who can be reached at 226-2860. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

Sincerely,

DAN L. CRIPPEN, *Director.*

cc: Honorable John Conyers Jr.
 Ranking Democratic Member

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to rule XI, clause 2(1)(4) of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the committee finds the authority for this legislation in article 1, section 8, clause 4 of the Constitution.

AGENCY VIEWS

The comments of the Immigration and Naturalization Service on S. 2000 are as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
 IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
 Washington, DC, Month 00, 2000.

Hon. ORRIN HATCH, *Chairman,*
Committee on the Judiciary,
United States Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: In response to your request for a report relative to S. 2000, for the relief of Guy D. Taylor, A77-098-553, enclosed is a memorandum of information concerning the beneficiary.

The bill would grant the beneficiary permanent residence in the United States as of the date of its enactment upon payment of the required visa fee.

Sincerely,

FOR THE COMMISSIONER
 GERRI L. RATLIFF, *Acting Director,*
Congressional Relations.

Enclosure

cc: Department of State, Visa Office
District Director, Los Angeles, CA

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE FILES RE: S. 2000

The following information was provided by Guy D. Taylor and Oleta Hansen during an interview on June 28, 2000, conducted at the above parties residence, located at 12420 Georgian Street, Garden Grove, California 92841.

The beneficiary, Guy Taylor, is a native and citizen of Canada born on November 1, 1981. Guy currently resides with his maternal grandmother, Oleta Hansen, the interested party and step grandfather, Charles Hansen at 12420 Georgian Street, Garden Grove, California. Guy graduated from Lake High School in Garden Grove, California in June 1999. Guy is currently working part-time for Sav-on drug store in Garden Grove. Guy has no brothers or sisters and both of his parents are deceased. Guy's mother, Teresa Ann Taylor was a United States citizen who died in 1998 in Canada. Guy's father died before Guy was born and Guy only knows his first name was Dino. Guy does not know his father's last name or citizenship.

Guy first entered the United States shortly after his birth in 1981 with his mother. Guy spent a good portion of his life in the United States, from 1981 to 1990, attending school and living with his mother. Guy's father died before he was born. In 1990, Guy and his mother moved back to Canada. In the summer of 1998, his mother died of a drug overdose, leaving Guy without any other family except for his grandmother and other family members in Southern California.

Upon his mother's death, Guy's grandmother, Oleta Hansen a United States citizen, flew to Canada to secure her daughter's body and bring Guy back to the United States. Oleta Hansen obtained legal custody of Guy in the Canadian court system.

Shortly after the death of his mother, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) allowed Guy to temporarily enter the United States by granting him a one-year humanitarian parole on August 13, 1998. Once the parole expired, the INA extended the parole for one more year.

Initially, Guy had sought to obtain permanent resident status by being declared a dependent of a United States court. However, the Orange County, California Social Services referee declined to name Guy a court dependent because he was considered to be under the guardianship of his grandmother.

Because the INS declared Guy too old to be a dependent of his grandmother, Guy has been unable to obtain permanent residence status and has sought assistance from the office of Senator Dianne Feinstein in his hope of becoming a permanent resident.

During his interview with me, Guy stated that it is his dream to join the United States Army. Guy stated that he has successfully tested and qualified for enlistment and needs only to obtain permanent resident status to join.

Fingerprint checks for the beneficiary through the Federal Bureau of Investigation were conducted with negative results, how-

ever, fingerprints checks for the interested parties are pending at this time.

