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S. 1903

To extend the temporary protected status designation of Liberia under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act so that Liberians can continue to be eligible for such status through September 30, 2008.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

July 31, 2007

Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

- To extend the temporary protected status designation of Liberia under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act so that Liberians can continue to be eligible for such status through September 30, 2008.
 - 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. EXTENSION OF DESIGNATION.
 - 4 (a) In General.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
 - 5 sion of law, the designation of Liberia under section
 - 6 244(b)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
 - 7 U.S.C. 1254a(b)(1)) is extended through September 30,
 - 8 2008.

- 1 (b) Applicability.—Subsection (a) shall be applied
- 2 so that an alien who is a national of Liberia (or in the
- 3 case of an alien having no nationality, is a person who
- 4 last habitually resided in Liberia) and is otherwise eligible
- 5 under section 244(c) of the Immigration and Nationality
- 6 Act is eligible for temporary protected status and work
- 7 authorization, in accordance with subsections (a), (e) and
- 8 (f) of section 244 of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1254a), if the
- 9 alien—
- 10 (1) was granted such status under the designa-
- tion of Liberia by the Secretary of Homeland Secu-
- 12 rity that is effective until October 1, 2007 (71 Fed.
- 13 Reg. 55000);
- 14 (2) applied for such status under such designa-
- tion, and such application is still pending; or
- 16 (3) is eligible for late initial registration under
- section 244(c) of such Act and the regulations im-
- 18 plementing such section.
- 19 (c) Requirements.—Not later than 60 days after
- 20 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
- 21 Homeland Security shall publish in the Federal Register
- 22 procedures for aliens to register for temporary protected
- 23 status under the extension made by this Act, and to apply
- 24 for any applicable work authorization or extension of work

- 1 authorization. Such registration period shall continue for
- 2 not fewer than 60 days.
- 3 (d) Extension of Current Work Authoriza-
- 4 TIONS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any
- 5 work authorization provided under section 244 of the Im-
- 6 migration and Nationality Act pursuant to the designation
- 7 of Liberia that is effective until October 1, 2007, shall
- 8 not expire before April 1, 2008.

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