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H. R. 127

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to change certain requirements relating to a sponsor's affidavit of support for an alien.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 6, 2009

Mr. GALLEGLY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. REQUIREMENTS FOR SPONSOR'S AFFIDAVIT OF**
4 **SUPPORT.**

5 (a) MAINTENANCE OF ANNUAL INCOME.—Section
6 213A(a)(1)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
7 U.S.C. 1183a(a)(1)(A)) is amended by striking “125 per-
8 cent of the Federal poverty line” and inserting “300 per-
9 cent of the Federal poverty line (or in cases where the

1 sponsored alien is the spouse or a child of the sponsor,
2 not less than 200 percent of the Federal poverty line)”.
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3 (b) SPONSOR DEFINED.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 213A(f)(1)(E) of the
5 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
6 1183a(f)(1)(E)) is amended by striking “125 per-
7 cent of the Federal poverty line” and inserting “300
8 percent of the Federal poverty line (or in cases
9 where the sponsored alien is the spouse or a child
10 of the individual, at least 200 percent of the Federal
11 poverty line)”.
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12 (2) CERTAIN EMPLOYMENT-BASED IMMIGRANTS
13 CASES.—Section 213A(f)(4)(B)(i) of the Immigra-
14 tion and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
15 1183a(f)(4)(B)(i)) is amended by striking “125 per-
16 cent of the Federal poverty line” and inserting “300
17 percent of the Federal poverty line (or in cases
18 where the sponsored alien is the spouse or a child
19 of the individual, at least 200 percent of the Federal
20 poverty line)”.
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21 (3) NON-PETITIONING CASES.—Section
22 213A(f)(5)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality
23 Act (8 U.S.C. 1183a(f)(5)(A)) is amended by strik-
24 ing “125 percent of the Federal poverty line” and
25 inserting “300 percent of the Federal poverty line

1 (or in cases where the sponsored alien is the spouse
2 or a child of the individual, at least 200 percent of
3 the Federal poverty line)''.

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