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H. R. 5532

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to adopted
alien children.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California introduced the following bill; which was
referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect
to adopted alien children.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “International Adoption
5 Harmonization Act of 2010”.

6 **SEC. 2. MODIFICATION OF ADOPTION AGE REQUIREMENTS.**

7 Section 101(b)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality
8 Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(b)(1)) is amended—

9 (1) in subparagraph (E)—

1 (A) by striking “(E)(i)” and inserting
2 “(E)”;

3 (B) by striking “sixteen” and inserting
4 “eighteen”;

5 (C) by striking “; or” and inserting a
6 semicolon; and

7 (D) by striking clause (ii);
8 (2) in subparagraph (F)—

9 (A) by striking “(F)(i)” and inserting
10 “(F)”;

11 (B) by striking “sixteen” and inserting
12 “eighteen”;

13 (C) by striking “Attorney General” and in-
14 serting “Secretary of Homeland Security”; and

15 (D) by striking clause (ii); and
16 (3) in subparagraph (G)—

17 (A) by striking “sixteen” and inserting
18 “eighteen”; and

19 (B) by striking “Attorney General” each
20 place such term appears and inserting “Sec-
21 retary of Homeland Security”.

1 **SEC. 3. HARMONIZING ADOPTIONS BETWEEN HAGUE CON-**
2 **VENTION AND NON-HAGUE-CONVENTION**
3 **COUNTRIES.**

4 Section 212(a)(1)(C)(ii) of the Immigration and Na-
5 tionality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(1)(C)(ii)) is amended by
6 striking “section 101(b)(1)(F),” and inserting “subpara-
7 graph (F) or (G) of section 101(b)(1),”.

8 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

9 The amendments made by this Act shall take effect
10 on the date of the enactment of this Act except that, in
11 the case of an alien who attained the age of 16, 17, or
12 18 years between April 1, 2008, and the date of the enact-
13 ment of this Act, the alien shall be deemed to meet the
14 age requirement specified in subparagraph (E), (F), or
15 (G) of section 101(b)(1) of the Immigration and Nation-
16 ality Act, as amended by section 2 of this Act, if a petition
17 for classification of the alien as an immediate relative
18 under section 201(b) of the Immigration and Nationality
19 Act is filed not later than 2 years after the date of the
20 enactment of this Act.

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