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H. R. 659

For the relief of certain aliens who were aboard the Golden Venture.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

A BILL

For the relief of certain aliens who were aboard the Golden
Venture.

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. ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS FOR CERTAIN ALIENS**

4 **WHO WERE ABOARD THE GOLDEN VENTURE.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections (a)
6 and (b) of section 201 of the Immigration and Nationality
7 Act (8 U.S.C. 1151), the Secretary of Homeland Security
8 shall adjust the status of each alien referred to in sub-
9 section (b) to that of an alien lawfully admitted for perma-
10 nent residence, if the alien—

11 (1) applies for such adjustment;

1 (2) has been physically present in the United
2 States for at least 1 year and is physically present
3 in the United States on the date the application for
4 such adjustment is filed;

5 (3) is admissible to the United States as an im-
6 migrant under the Immigration and Nationality Act
7 (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.), except that, for the pur-
8 poses of determining admissibility under this para-
9 graph, the grounds for inadmissibility specified in
10 paragraphs (4), (5), and (7)(A) and subparagraphs
11 (A), (D), and (E) of paragraph (6) of section 212(a)
12 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
13 1182(a)) shall not apply; and

14 (4) pays a fee (determined by the Secretary of
15 Homeland Security) for the processing of such appli-
16 cation.

17 (b) ALIENS ELIGIBLE FOR ADJUSTMENT OF STA-
18 TUS.—The adjustment of status provided for under sub-
19 section (a) shall apply to the following aliens:

20 (1) Zhang Xue Feng.

21 (2) Zhu Zhai Yong.

22 (3) Whu Chao.

23 (4) Gong Shi.

24 (5) He Ar Ming.

25 (6) Dong Su Gi.

- 1 (7) Zhou Xin Sing.
- 2 (8) Zheng Shi Ji.
- 3 (9) Chen Mei Xi.
- 4 (10) Liu Bao Jin.
- 5 (11) Cao Xiang Qui.
- 6 (12) Lin Yeng Ming.
- 7 (13) Zou Xue Can.
- 8 (14) Zheng Lian Bian.
- 9 (15) You Li Yun.
- 10 (16) Yong Lu Xue.
- 11 (17) Liu Jia Wen.
- 12 (18) Cheng Lin Guo.
- 13 (19) Son Ching Cheng.
- 14 (20) Chen Sherm Dee.
- 15 (21) Lin Mao Jiang.
- 16 (22) Cheng Gin Sen.
- 17 (23) Dek Fun Lin.
- 18 (24) Wang Dar Hua.
- 19 (25) Dong Jia Reng.
- 20 (26) Chung Seng Chow.
- 21 (27) Lin Hui Kan.
- 22 (28) Chen Yung Kwon.
- 23 (29) Dong Son Shing.
- 24 (30) Lin Xue Yao.
- 25 (31) Yi Zhou Hua.

1 (c) OFFSET IN NUMBER OF VISAS AVAILABLE.—
2 Upon each granting to an alien of the status of having
3 been lawfully admitted for permanent residence under this
4 section, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper
5 officer to reduce by 1, during the current or next following
6 fiscal year, the total number of immigrant visas that are
7 made available to natives of the country of the alien's birth
8 under section 203(a) of the Immigration and Nationality
9 Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(a)) or, if applicable, the total number
10 of immigrant visas that are made available to natives of
11 the country of the alien's birth under section 202(e) of
12 such Act (8 U.S.C. 1152(e)).

13 (d) APPLICATION OF IMMIGRATION AND NATION-
14 ALITY ACT PROVISIONS.—The definitions contained in the
15 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.)
16 shall apply in the administration of this section. The fact
17 that an alien may be eligible to be granted the status of
18 having been lawfully admitted for permanent residence
19 under this section shall not preclude the alien from seek-
20 ing such status under any other provision of law for which
21 the alien may be eligible.

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