116TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 1871

To render certain military parents eligible for adjustment of status.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 26, 2019

Mr. CARBAJAL 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. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "Protect Patriot Par-5 ents Act".

6 SEC. 2. ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS FOR CERTAIN MILITARY
7 PARENTS.

8 Section 245 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
9 (8 U.S.C. 1255) is amended by adding at the end the fol10 lowing:

| 1 | "(n)(1) In applying this section to an alien described |
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| 2 | in paragraph (2)— |
| 3 | "(A) such alien shall be deemed, for purposes |
| 4 | of subsection (a), to have been inspected and admit- |
| 5 | ted into the United States; and |
| 6 | "(B) in determining the alien's admissibility as |
| 7 | an immigrant— |
| 8 | "(i) paragraphs $(6)(A)$, $(7)(A)$, and $(9)(B)$ |
| 9 | of section 212(a) shall not apply; and |
| 10 | "(ii) the Secretary of Homeland Security, |
| 11 | in the discretion of the Secretary, may waive |
| 12 | the application of paragraphs $(6)(C)$, $(9)(A)$, |
| 13 | and $(9)(C)$ of section $212(a)$ if the alien estab- |
| 14 | lishes to the satisfaction of the Secretary that |
| 15 | the alien does not pose a threat to the public |
| 16 | and has not committed any criminal offenses in |
| 17 | violation of Federal or State law unrelated to |
| 18 | the alien's status. |
| 19 | ((2) An alien is described in this paragraph if the |
| 20 | alien— |
| 21 | "(A) is a parent of a United States citizen |
| 22 | who— |
| 23 | "(i) is or was serving on active duty in the |
| 24 | United States Armed Forces or in a reserve |

| 1 | component of the United States Armed Forces; |
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| 2 | and |
| 3 | "(ii) if discharged or released from service |
| 4 | in the Armed Forces, was discharged or re- |
| 5 | leased under honorable conditions; and |
| 6 | "(B) is the beneficiary of a petition for classi- |
| 7 | fication under section $204(a)(1)(A)$ as an immediate |
| 8 | relative (as defined in section 201(b)) by reason of |
| 9 | the parental relationship to such citizen.". |
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