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# S. 2197

To extend the authorized period of stay within the United States for certain nurses.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. FAIRCLOTH (for himself and Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and considered

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## A BILL

To extend the authorized period of stay within the United States for certain nurses.

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 AUTHORIZED PERIOD OF STAY**

4 **FOR CERTAIN NURSES.**

5 (a) ALIENS WHO PREVIOUSLY ENTERED THE UNIT-  
6 ED STATES PURSUANT TO AN H-1A VISA.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other  
8 provision of law, the authorized period of stay in the  
9 United States of any nonimmigrant described in

1 paragraph (2) is hereby extended through September  
2 30, 1997.

3 (2) NONIMMIGRANT DESCRIBED.—A non-  
4 immigrant described in this paragraph is a non-  
5 immigrant—

6 (A) who entered the United States as a  
7 nonimmigrant described in section  
8 101(a)(15)(H)(i)(a) of the Immigration and  
9 Nationality Act;

10 (B) who was within the United States on  
11 or after September 1, 1995, and who is within  
12 the United States on the date of the enactment  
13 of this Act; and

14 (C) whose period of authorized stay has ex-  
15 pired or would expire before September 30,  
16 1997 but for the provisions of this section.

17 (3) LIMITATIONS.—Nothing in this section may  
18 be construed to extend the validity of any visa issued  
19 to a nonimmigrant described in section  
20 101(a)(15)(H)(i)(a) of the Immigration and Nation-  
21 ality Act or to authorize the re-entry of any person  
22 outside the United States on the date of the enact-  
23 ment of this Act.

24 (b) CHANGE OF EMPLOYMENT.—A nonimmigrant  
25 whose authorized period of stay is extended by operation

1 of this section shall not be eligible to change employers  
2 in accordance with section 214.2(h)(2)(i)(D) of title 8,  
3 Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the day be-  
4 fore the date of the enactment of this Act).

5 (c) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 30 days after the  
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the Attorney General  
7 shall issue regulations to carry out the provisions of this  
8 section.

9 (d) INTERIM TREATMENT.—A nonimmigrant whose  
10 authorized period of stay is extended by operation of this  
11 section, and the spouse and child of such nonimmigrant,  
12 shall be considered as having continued to maintain lawful  
13 status as a nonimmigrant through September 30, 1997.

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