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S. 1721

To amend section 402 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to extend the eligibility period for supplemental security income benefits for refugees, asylees, and certain other humanitarian immigrants, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 17, 2011

Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. FRANKEN, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) introduced the following bill; which was read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed

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 “SSI Extension for El-
5 derly and Disabled Refugees Act of 2011”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF ELIGIBILITY PERIOD FOR SSI BENE-**
2 **FITS FOR CERTAIN RECIPIENTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 402(a)(2)(M) of the Per-
4 sonal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation
5 Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1612(a)(2)(M)) is amended—

6 (1) in clause (i)(I), by striking “fiscal years
7 2009 through 2011” and inserting “fiscal years
8 2009 through 2012”; and

9 (2) in clause (ii), by striking “fiscal years 2009
10 through 2011” and inserting “fiscal years 2009
11 through 2012”.

12 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
13 402(a)(2)(M) of such Act is amended, in the subpara-
14 graph heading, by striking “THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2011”.

15 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
16 this section shall take effect on October 1, 2011.

17 **SEC. 3. DIVERSITY IMMIGRANT VISA PETITION FEE.**

18 (a) REQUIREMENT FOR FEE.—Section 204(a)(1)(I)
19 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
20 1154(a)(1)(I)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
21 lowing:

22 “(iv) Each petition filed under this subparagraph
23 shall include a petition fee in the amount of \$30.”.

24 (b) DEPOSIT OF FEE.—All fees collected pursuant to
25 clause (iv) of section 204(a)(1)(I) of the Immigration and
26 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1154(a)(1)(I)), as added by

1 subsection (a), shall not be available for obligation and
2 shall be deposited, in their entirety, in the general fund
3 of the Treasury.

4 (c) SUNSET OF FEES.—The fees collected pursuant
5 to clause (iv) of section 204(a)(1)(I) of the Immigration
6 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1154(a)(1)(I)), as added
7 by subsection (a), shall apply only to petitions filed before
8 October 1, 2013.

9 **SEC. 4. BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

10 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of
11 complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,
12 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement
13 titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation” for this
14 Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record
15 by the Chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, pro-
16 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the
17 vote on passage.

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