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H. R. 7164

To add Ireland to the E–3 nonimmigrant visa program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SENSENBRENNER (for himself and Mr. NEAL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To add Ireland to the E–3 nonimmigrant visa program.

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. E–3 VISAS FOR IRISH NATIONALS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 101(a)(15)(E)(iii) of the
5 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
6 1101(a)(15)(E)(iii)) is amended by inserting “or, on a
7 basis of reciprocity as determined by the Secretary of
8 State, a national of Ireland,” after “Australia”.

9 (b) EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS.—Section 212 of the
10 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182) is
11 amended—

1 (1) by redesignating the second subsection (t)
2 (as added by section 1(b)(2)(B) of Public Law 108–
3 449 (118 Stat. 3470)) as subsection (u); and

4 (2) by adding at the end of subsection (t)(1)
5 (as added by section 402(b)(2) of Public Law 108–
6 77 (117 Stat. 941)) the following:

7 “(E) In the case of an attestation filed with re-
8 spect to a national of Ireland described in section
9 101(a)(15)(E)(iii), the employer is, and will remain
10 during the period of authorized employment of such
11 Irish national, a participant in good standing in the
12 E-Verify program described in section 403(a) of the
13 Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Respon-
14 sibility Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1324a note).”.

15 (c) VISA ALLOCATION.—Section 214(g)(11) of the
16 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(g)(11))
17 is amended—

18 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “The Sec-
19 retary of State may not approve a number of initial
20 applications” and inserting “Except as provided in
21 subparagraph (D), the Secretary of State may not
22 approve a number of initial applications”; and

23 (2) by adding at the end the following:

24 “(D)(i) Subject to the limitation in clause
25 (ii), the Secretary may approve initial applica-

1 tions submitted for aliens described in section
2 101(a)(15)(E)(iii) for a fiscal year who are na-
3 tionals of Ireland only in a number equal to the
4 difference between 10,500 and the number of
5 applications approved in a prior fiscal year for
6 aliens who are nationals of the Commonwealth
7 of Australia.

8 “(ii) In no event may any application be
9 approved such that the total number of initial
10 applications approved in the period beginning
11 on the first day of the fiscal year immediately
12 preceding the fiscal year for which the applica-
13 tion is made would be 21,000 or more.”.

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