

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 187

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 8 (legislative day, JUNE 7), 2022

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

AN ACT

For the relief of Victoria Galindo Lopez.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS FOR VICTORIA**

2 **GALINDO LOPEZ.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections (a)
4 and (b) of section 201 of the Immigration and Nationality
5 Act, Victoria Galindo Lopez shall be eligible for issuance
6 of an immigrant visa or for adjustment of status to that
7 of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence
8 upon filing an application for issuance of an immigrant
9 visa under section 204 of such Act or for adjustment of
10 status to lawful permanent resident.

11 (b) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.—If Victoria Galindo
12 Lopez enters the United States before the filing deadline
13 specified in subsection (c), she shall be considered to have
14 entered and remained lawfully and shall, if otherwise eligi-
15 ble, be eligible for adjustment of status under section 245
16 of the Immigration and Nationality Act as of the date of
17 the enactment of this Act.

18 (c) WAIVER OF GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL OR DENIAL
19 OF ADMISSION.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sections
21 212(a) and 237(a) of the Immigration and Nation-
22 ality Act, Victoria Galindo Lopez may not be re-
23 moved from the United States, denied admission to
24 the United States, or considered ineligible for lawful
25 permanent residence in the United States by reason
26 of any ground for removal or denial of admission

1 that is reflected in the records of the Department of
2 Homeland Security or the Visa Office of the Depart-
3 ment of State on the date of the enactment of this
4 Act.

5 (2) RESCISSION OF OUTSTANDING ORDER OF
6 REMOVAL.—The Secretary of Homeland Security
7 shall rescind any outstanding order of removal or de-
8 portation, or any finding of inadmissibility or de-
9 portability, that has been entered against Victoria
10 Galindo Lopez by reason of any ground described in
11 paragraph (1).

12 (d) DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION AND PAYMENT OF
13 FEES.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall apply only if the ap-
14 plication for issuance of an immigrant visa or the applica-
15 tion for adjustment of status is filed with appropriate fees
16 within 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

17 (e) REDUCTION OF IMMIGRANT VISA NUMBER.—
18 Upon the granting of an immigrant visa or permanent res-
19 idence to Victoria Galindo Lopez, the Secretary of State
20 shall instruct the proper officer to reduce by 1, during the
21 current or next following fiscal year, the total number of
22 immigrant visas that are made available to natives of the
23 country of the alien's birth under section 203(a) of the
24 Immigration and Nationality Act or, if applicable, the
25 total number of immigrant visas that are made available

1 to natives of the country of the alien's birth under section
2 202(e) of such Act.

3 (f) DENIAL OF PREFERENTIAL IMMIGRATION TREAT-
4 MENT FOR CERTAIN RELATIVES.—The natural parents,
5 brothers, and sisters of Victoria Galindo Lopez shall not,
6 by virtue of such relationship, be accorded any right, privi-
7 lege, or status under the Immigration and Nationality Act.

Passed the House of Representatives June 7, 2022.

Attest: CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.