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# H. R. 7634

To amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for a limitation on the nationality of persons eligible to serve as judges of the United States.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 20, 2026

Mr. STAUBER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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 “Judicial Loyalty Act  
5       of 2026”.

6       **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON ELIGIBILITY TO SERVE AS A JUDGE**  
7       **OF THE UNITED STATES.**

8       (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 21 of title 28, United  
9       States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
10      lowing:

1 **“§ 464. Limitation on nationality of eligible persons**

2 “No person shall be eligible to be appointed as a  
3 judge of the United States unless that person is a natural  
4 born citizen of the United States.”.

5 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
6 for such chapter is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
7 lowing:

“464. Limitation on nationality of eligible persons.”.

8 **SEC. 3. REQUIREMENT TO RESIGN.**

9 In the case of any judge of the United States who  
10 is a United States citizen and who also is a citizen of a  
11 foreign country, if that judge does not officially renounce  
12 their foreign citizenship by not later than 60 days after  
13 the date of enactment of this Act, that judge may not con-  
14 tinue in office.

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