## 105TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. R. 1238

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 8, 1997

Mr. Frank of Massachusetts introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

## 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. ESTABLISHMENT OF 5-DAY PERIOD OF EXCLU-
- 4 SIVE JUDICIAL AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER
- 5 OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.
- 6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 310(b)(3)(A) of the Im-
- 7 migration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1421(b)(3)(A))

- 1 is amended by striking "45-day" each place such term ap-
- 2 pears and inserting "5-day".
- 3 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 4 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the enact-
- 5 ment of this Act and shall apply to applications for natu-
- 6 ralization filed on or after such date and to such applica-
- 7 tions pending on such date.

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