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H. R. 2551

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize the Attorney General to eliminate the fee associated with the issuance of an I-68 landing permit.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 25, 1997

Mr. LAFALCE (for himself, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. BARCIA, and Mr. OBERSTAR) 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. ELIMINATION OF FEES FOR CERTAIN REC-**
4 **REATIONAL BOATERS ENTERING FROM CAN-**
5 **ADA.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 4 of title II of the Immi-
7 gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1221 et seq.) is
8 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 “ELIMINATION OF FEES FOR CERTAIN RECREATIONAL
2 BOATERS ENTERING FROM CANADA

3 “SEC. 244A. (a) ELIMINATION OF FEE.—The Attor-
4 ney General may eliminate the fee for any of the following
5 persons in connection with the processing or issuance of
6 a landing permit that allows the person to enter the Unit-
7 ed States from Canada in a pleasure craft described in
8 subsection (b) without applying for admission at a United
9 States port of entry or inspection by an immigration offi-
10 cer:

11 “(1) A United States citizen.

12 “(2) A lawful permanent resident of the United
13 States.

14 “(3) A person who—

15 “(A) enters the United States as a tem-
16 porary visitor for pleasure;

17 “(B) intends to remain in the United
18 States—

19 “(i) for a period not to exceed 72
20 hours; and

21 “(ii) in areas adjacent to the imme-
22 diate shore area of the United States, such
23 as nearby shopping areas, residential
24 neighborhoods, or similar areas; and

25 “(C) is—

1 “(i) a Canadian national; or

2 “(ii) a resident of Canada, other than
3 a Canadian national, having a common na-
4 tionality with Canadians.

5 “(b) PLEASURE CRAFT DESCRIBED.—A pleasure
6 craft described in this subsection is a small pleasure craft
7 of less than 5 net tons, without merchandise.”.

8 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
9 of the Immigration and Nationality Act is amended by in-
10 serting after the item relating to section 244 the following:

“Sec. 244A. Elimination of fees for certain recreational boaters entering from
Canada.”.

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