

105TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 667

To amend the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to provide for an exception to limited eligibility for SSI and food stamps for totally and permanently disabled permanent resident aliens.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 11, 1997

Mr. DIAZ-BALART (for himself and Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. EXCEPTION TO LIMITED ELIGIBILITY FOR SSI**  
2 **AND FOOD STAMPS FOR TOTALLY AND PER-**  
3 **MANENTLY DISABLED PERMANENT RESI-**  
4 **DENT ALIENS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 402(a)(2) of the Personal  
6 Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act  
7 of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1612(a)(2)) is amended by adding after  
8 subparagraph (D) the following new subparagraph:

9 “(E) TOTALLY AND PERMANENTLY DIS-  
10 ABLED PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIENS.—Para-  
11 graph (1) shall not apply to an alien who—

12 “(i) is lawfully admitted to the United  
13 States for permanent residence under the  
14 Immigration and Nationality Act; and

15 “(ii) has a total and permanent dis-  
16 ability which arose after the alien was ad-  
17 mitted to the United States.”.

18 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
19 subsection (a) shall be effective as if included in the enact-  
20 ment of title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work  
21 Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996.

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