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# H. R. 931

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for certain legal aliens.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 5, 1997

Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Ms. LOFGREN, and Ms. ESHOO) introduced the  
following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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## A BILL

To provide an exception to the restrictions on eligibility for  
public benefits for certain legal aliens.

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. EXCEPTION TO ELIGIBILITY RESTRICTIONS**

4                       **FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN LEGAL**

5                       **ALIENS.**

6       (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle A of title V of the Illegal  
7       Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of  
8       1996 (Public Law 104–208; 110 Stat. 3009–1772) is  
9       amended by adding at the end the following:

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1 **“SEC. 511. EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN LEGAL ALIENS.**

2 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other pro-  
3 vision of law, an alien who was lawfully present in the  
4 United States on August 22, 1996, and who lawfully re-  
5 sides in a State, is age 65 or older, is disabled and/or  
6 blind, as determined under paragraph (2) and/or (3) of  
7 section 1614(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
8 1382c(a)), whose family is incapable of support, and who  
9 can demonstrate that he or she has no other sufficient  
10 means of support other than that provided under the pro-  
11 gram described in subsection (b), shall be eligible to re-  
12 ceive benefits under such program.

13 “(b) PROGRAM DESCRIBED.—The program described  
14 in this subsection is the program described in section  
15 402(a)(3)(A) of the Personal Responsibility and Work Op-  
16 portunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C.  
17 1612(a)(3)(A)).”.

18 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
19 subsection (a) takes effect as if included in the enactment  
20 of subtitle A of title V of the Illegal Immigration Reform  
21 and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (Public Law  
22 104–208; 110 Stat. 3009–1772).

23 (c) NOTICE AND REDETERMINATION.—The Commis-  
24 sioner of Social Security shall, not later than 30 days after

1 the date of enactment of this Act, notify an individual de-  
2 scribed in section 511(a) of the Illegal Immigration Re-  
3 form and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (as added  
4 by this Act) and who, as of such date, has been redeter-  
5 mined to be ineligible for the program described in section  
6 511(b) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant  
7 Responsibility Act of 1996 (as so added), that the individ-  
8 ual's eligibility for such program shall be redetermined  
9 again, and shall conduct such redetermination in a timely  
10 manner.

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