S. 970

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

June 26, 1997

Mr. Conrad (for himself and Mr. Bumpers) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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. WAIVER OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.
 - 4 Section 214(l)(1)(D) of the Immigration and Nation-
 - 5 ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(l)(1)(D)) (as added by section
 - 6 220 of the Immigration and Nationality Technical Correc-
 - 7 tions Act of 1994 and redesignated as subsection (l) by

- 1 section 671(a)(3)(A) of the Illegal Immigration Reform
- 2 and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996) is amended
- 3 by inserting before the period at the end the following:
- 4 ", except that, in the case of a request by the Department
- 5 of Veterans Affairs, the alien shall not be required to prac-
- 6 tice medicine in a geographic area designated by the Sec-

7 retary".

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