106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2662

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 30, 1999

Ms. Lofgren (for herself, Mrs. Thurman, Mr. Rush, Mr. Evans, Mrs. Morella, Mr. Kolbe, Mr. Frost, Mr. Price of North Carolina, Mr. Pastor, Ms. Jackson-Lee of Texas, Mr. Dreier, Mr. Boehner, Mrs. Christensen, and Mr. Snyder) 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,

SECTION 1. WORK AUTHORIZATION FOR SPOUSES OF

- 2 INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREES.
- 3 Section 214(c)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality
- 4 Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)(2)) is amended by adding at the
- 5 end the following:
- 6 "(E) In the case of an alien spouse admitted under
- 7 section 101(a)(15)(L), who is accompanying or following
- 8 to join a principal alien admitted under such section, the
- 9 Attorney General shall authorize the alien spouse to en-
- 10 gage in employment in the United States and provide the
- 11 spouse with an 'employment authorized' endorsement or
- 12 other appropriate work permit, if the foreign state of
- 13 which the principal alien is a citizen or national has en-
- 14 tered into an agreement with the United States under
- 15 which it agrees to extend reciprocal treatment to citizens
- 16 and nationals of the United States.".

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