

108TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 230

For the relief of Gao Zhan.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 7, 2003

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

For the relief of Gao Zhan.

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. FINDINGS.**

4 The Congress finds as follows:

5 (1) Gao Zhan, a noted sociologist and adjunct
6 professor at American University, is an immigrant
7 lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the
8 United States.

9 (2) She is an accomplished academician who
10 has studied women's issues and China-Taiwan rela-
11 tions.

1 (3) On February 11, 2001, Gao Zhan, her hus-
2 band, Xue Donghua, and her son, Andrew Xue, were
3 detained by Chinese authorities at the airport in
4 Beijing.

5 (4) Xue Donghua was later released, and since
6 then the couple has been apart.

7 (5) Andrew Xue, who is a United States citizen,
8 was taken away from his parents and put in a Bei-
9 jing kindergarten for 25 days, which adversely af-
10 fected him.

11 (6) Xue Donghua has taken an oath of citizen-
12 ship to become a United States citizen.

13 (7) Gao Zhan is a highly respected member of
14 her community in the United States, has lived in
15 this country since 1989, and would make a wonder-
16 ful citizen of the United States.

17 **SEC. 2. NATURALIZATION OF GAO ZHAN.**

18 Notwithstanding section 337(a) or any other provi-
19 sion of title III of the Immigration and Nationality Act
20 (8 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.), Gao Zhan shall be considered to
21 be a naturalized citizen of the United States as of the date
22 of the enactment of this Act and shall be furnished by
23 the Attorney General with a certificate of naturalization.

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