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H. R. 3360

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the automatic acquisition of citizenship by certain Amerasians.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. LOFGREN (for herself, Mr. CASE, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD, Mr. FARR, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. EMANUEL, and Mr. GUTIERREZ) 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Amerasian Naturaliza-
5 tion Act of 2003”.

1 **SEC. 2. AUTOMATIC ACQUISITION OF CITIZENSHIP FOR**
2 **CERTAIN AMERASIANS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title III of the Immigration and
4 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.) is amended by
5 inserting after section 320 the following:

6 “AMERASIAN IMMIGRANTS; CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH
7 CITIZENSHIP AUTOMATICALLY ACQUIRED

8 “SEC. 321. A person automatically becomes a citizen
9 of the United States when the person is residing in the
10 United States pursuant to a lawful admission as an immi-
11 grant under section 584 of the Foreign Operations, Ex-
12 port Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations
13 Act, 1988 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note), if the person was consid-
14 ered a principal alien pursuant to subsection (b)(1)(A) of
15 such section.”.

16 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
17 for the Immigration and Nationality Act is amended by
18 inserting after the item relating to section 320 the fol-
19 lowing:

“321. Amerasian immigrants; conditions under which citizenship automatically
acquired.”.

20 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
21 this section shall take effect 120 days after the date of
22 the enactment of this Act and shall apply to individuals
23 who satisfy the requirements of section 321 of the Immi-

- 1 gration and Nationality Act (as added by subsection (a))
- 2 before, on, or after such date.

