

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2960

To amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 and the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to enable the Department of State to respond to a critical shortage of passport processing personnel, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 10, 2007

Mr. CAPUANO (for himself, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. POE, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. GONZALEZ, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. CUELLAR, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. MCNERNEY, and Mr. WELCH of Vermont) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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 “Department of State
5 Crisis Response Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. REEMPLOYMENT OF CIVIL SERVICE ANNUITANTS.**

2 Section 61(a) of the State Department Basic Au-
3 thorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2733(a)) is amended—

4 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “To facilitate”
5 and all that follows through “, the Secretary” and
6 inserting “The Secretary”; and

7 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “2008” and
8 inserting “2010”.

9 **SEC. 3. REEMPLOYMENT OF FOREIGN SERVICE ANNU-**
10 **ITANTS.**

11 Section 824(g) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980
12 (22 U.S.C. 4064(g)) is amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “the as-
14 signment of persons to Iraq and Afghanistan or to
15 posts vacated by members of the Service assigned to
16 Iraq and Afghanistan, if the annuitant is employed”
17 and inserting “the employment of an annuitant”;
18 and

19 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “2008” and
20 inserting “2010”.

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