

111TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5052

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 15, 2010

Mr. DENT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. CLARIFICATION WITH RESPECT TO ABSENCE**
2 **FROM THE UNITED STATES DUE TO EMPLOY-**
3 **MENT AS A TRANSLATOR OR INTERPRETER**
4 **IN IRAQ OR AFGHANISTAN.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1(e)(1) of Public Law
6 110–36 (121 Stat. 228) is amended to read as follows:

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A period of absence from
8 the United States described in paragraph (2)—

9 “(A) shall not be considered to break any
10 period for which continuous residence or phys-
11 ical presence in the United States is required
12 for naturalization under title III of the Immi-
13 gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1401 et
14 seq.); and

15 “(B) shall be treated as a period of resi-
16 dence and physical presence in the United
17 States for purposes of satisfying the require-
18 ments for naturalization under such title.”.

19 (b) ABSENCE DESCRIBED.—Section 1(e)(2)(A) of
20 Public Law 110–36 (121 Stat. 228) is amended to read
21 as follows:

22 “(A) such employment involved working
23 with the Chief of Mission or United States
24 Armed Forces as translator, interpreter, or in a
25 security position; and”.

1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect as if included in
3 the enactment of Public Law 110–36.

