

113TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1781

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for special immigrant status for certain spouses and children of employees of the United States Government abroad killed in the line of duty.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 26, 2013

Mr. McCAUL (for himself, Mr. COHEN, Mr. PIERLUISI, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. CUELLAR, and Ms. FOXX) 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 “Mustafa Akarsu Local
5 Guard Force Support Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SPECIAL IMMIGRANT STATUS FOR CERTAIN SUR-**
2 **VIVING SPOUSES AND CHILDREN.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 101(a)(27) of the Immi-
4 gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(27)) is
5 amended in subparagraph (D)—

6 (1) by inserting “(i)” before “an immigrant
7 who is an employee”; and

8 (2) by inserting the following:

9 “(ii) an immigrant who is the surviving
10 spouse or child of an employee of the United
11 States Government abroad killed in the line of
12 duty, provided that the employee had performed
13 faithful service for a total of fifteen years, or
14 more, and that the principal officer of a For-
15 eign Service establishment (or, in the case of
16 the American Institute of Taiwan, the Director
17 thereof) in his discretion, recommends the
18 granting of special immigrant status to the
19 spouse and children and the Secretary of State
20 approves such recommendation and find that it
21 is in the national interest to grant such sta-
22 tus;”.

23 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This Act and the amend-
24 ments made by this Act shall take effect beginning on Jan-
25 uary 31, 2013, and shall have retroactive effect.