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To deny Social Security benefits and other benefits to individuals who participated in Nazi persecution.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. NELSON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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 “Nazi Social Security
5 Benefits Termination Act of 2014”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) The United States of America serves as a
9 beacon of refuge to thousands of victims fleeing reli-
10 gious, ethnic, racial, and other forms of persecution

1 around the world and has become the home to thou-
2 sands of survivors of the Nazi Holocaust.

3 (2) In order to safeguard the integrity of the
4 refugee and asylum system that has provided safety
5 to those who fled the Holocaust, and in order to en-
6 sure that those survivors do not have to share their
7 adopted homeland with their former persecutors, the
8 policy of the United States has been that this coun-
9 try should not provide safe haven for those who par-
10 ticipated in acts of Nazi persecution.

11 (3) Congress enacted laws specifically to ex-
12 clude or to remove participants of Nazi persecution
13 from the United States and never intended that
14 those individuals should be entitled to the benefits of
15 citizenship or residency.

16 **SEC. 3. DENIAL OF FEDERAL PUBLIC BENEFITS TO NAZI**
17 **PERSECUTORS.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—The following paragraphs shall
19 apply notwithstanding any other provision of law:

20 (1) SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS.—A partici-
21 pant in Nazi persecution is not eligible for any ben-
22 efit under sections 202 or 223 of the Social Security
23 Act (42 U.S.C. 402; 423).

24 (2) SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME BENE-
25 FITS.—A participant in Nazi persecution is not eligi-

1 ble for any benefit under title XVI of the Social Se-
2 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.), including any
3 supplemental payment pursuant to an agreement for
4 Federal administration under section 1616(a) of
5 such Act (42 U.S.C. 1382e) and any payment pur-
6 suant to an agreement entered into under section
7 212 of Public Law 93–66.

8 (b) PARTICIPANT IN NAZI PERSECUTION DE-
9 FINED.—In this Act, the term “participant in Nazi perse-
10 cution” means an individual—

11 (1) with respect to whom an order admitting
12 the individual to citizenship has been revoked under
13 section 340 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
14 in any case in which such revocation is based on
15 conduct described in section 212(a)(3)(E)(i) of such
16 Act (relating to participation in Nazi persecution);
17 or

18 (2) who has lost status as a national of the
19 United States by voluntary renunciation under sec-
20 tion 349(a)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality
21 Act pursuant to a settlement agreement entered into
22 with the Attorney General in a matter in which such
23 individual has admitted to conduct described in sec-
24 tion 212(a)(3)(E)(i) of such Act (relating to partici-
25 pation in Nazi persecution).

1 (c) NOTIFICATION OF DISQUALIFICATION.—As soon
 2 as practicable after the Attorney General determines that
 3 an individual is a participant in Nazi persecution, the At-
 4 torney General shall notify the Commissioner of Social Se-
 5 curity of the identity and residence of such individual.

6 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with
 7 respect to benefits for months beginning after the date of
 8 the enactment of this Act.

9 **SEC. 4. REPORT.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
 11 date of the enactment of this Act and annually thereafter,
 12 the Attorney General shall, in cooperation with the Com-
 13 missioner of Social Security, submit to Congress a report
 14 that includes the following with respect to the year pre-
 15 ceding the submission of such report—

16 (1) an identification of the total number of indi-
 17 viduals that the Attorney General has determined to
 18 be participants in Nazi persecution;

19 (2) an identification of the total number of indi-
 20 viduals—

21 (A) with respect to whom the Attorney
 22 General pursued revocation of citizenship under
 23 section 340 of the Immigration and Nationality
 24 Act based on conduct described in section
 25 212(a)(3)(E)(i) of such Act (relating to partici-

1 pation in Nazi persecution) and such revocation
2 was denied; and

3 (B) with respect to whom the Attorney
4 General pursued a settlement agreement with
5 such individual for voluntary renunciation of
6 status as a national of the United States in
7 which such individual admitted to conduct de-
8 scribed in section 212(a)(3)(E)(i) of such Act
9 (relating to participation in Nazi persecution)
10 and such agreement was not completed;

11 (3) an identification of the total number of indi-
12 viduals with respect to whom the Attorney General
13 is actively investigating participation in Nazi perse-
14 cution;

15 (4) an identification of the total number of indi-
16 viduals with respect to whom the Attorney General
17 has submitted a notification of disqualification to the
18 Commissioner of Social Security as required under
19 section 3(c); and

20 (5) an accounting of the amount and frequency
21 of payments under sections 202 or 223 of the Social
22 Security Act, title XVI of the Social Security Act, or
23 section 212 of Public Law 93–66 that were received
24 by each participant in Nazi persecution prior to the
25 date on which the Commissioner of Social Security

- 1 received the notification of disqualification for such
- 2 individual as required under section 3(c).

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