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S. 3684

To add Ireland to the E–3 nonimmigrant visa program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. HATCH introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To add Ireland to the E–3 nonimmigrant visa program.

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. E–3 VISAS FOR IRISH NATIONALS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 101(a)(15)(E)(iii) of the
5 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
6 1101(a)(15)(E)(iii)) is amended by inserting “or, on a
7 basis of reciprocity, as determined by the Secretary of
8 State, a national of Ireland,” after “Australia”.

9 (b) EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS.—Section 212 of the
10 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182) is
11 amended—

1 (1) by redesignating the second subsection (t)
 2 (as added by section 1(b)(2)(B) of Public Law 108–
 3 449 (118 Stat. 3470)) as subsection (u); and

4 (2) by adding at the end of subsection (t)(1)
 5 (as added by section 402(b)(2) of Public Law 108–
 6 77 (117 Stat. 941)) the following:

7 “(E) In the case of an attestation filed with re-
 8 spect to a national of Ireland described in section
 9 101(a)(15)(E)(iii), the employer is, and will remain
 10 during the period of authorized employment of such
 11 Irish national, a participant in good standing in the
 12 E-Verify program described in section 403(a) of the
 13 Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Respon-
 14 sibility Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1324a note).”.

15 (c) APPLICATION ALLOCATION.—Section 214(g)(11)
 16 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
 17 1184(g)(11)) is amended to read as follows:

18 “(11)(A)(i) The Secretary of State may approve ini-
 19 tial applications submitted for aliens described in section
 20 101(a)(15)(E)(iii) only in accordance with clauses (ii) and
 21 (iii).

22 “(ii) For applicants who are nationals of the Com-
 23 monwealth of Australia, not more than 10,500 such appli-
 24 cations may be approved in any fiscal year.

1 “(iii) For applicants who are nationals of the Repub-
2 lic of Ireland, not more than the number equal to the dif-
3 ference between 10,500 and the number of applications
4 approved for the immediately preceding fiscal year for
5 aliens who are nationals of the Commonwealth of Aus-
6 tralia may be approved in any fiscal year.

7 “(B) The approval of an application described in sub-
8 paragraph (A)(iii) shall be deemed, for numerical control
9 purposes, to have occurred on September 30 of the imme-
10 diately preceding fiscal year.

11 “(C) The numerical limitations referred to in sub-
12 paragraph (A) shall only apply to principal aliens and shall
13 not apply to the spouses or children of such aliens.”.

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