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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 21 (legislative day, OCTOBER 19), 2020

Ms. DUCKWORTH introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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. ADMISSION OF AU PAIRS FOR MILITARY FAMI-**
4 **LIES DURING COVID–19 PANDEMIC.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
6 (b), with respect to the admission to the United States
7 of aliens described in section 101(a)(15)(J) of the Immi-
8 gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(J))
9 pursuant to J–1 visas to provide childcare for members

1 of the armed forces (as defined in section 101(a) of title
2 10, United States Code) through au pair programs, Presi-
3 dential Proclamation 10052 (85 Fed. Reg. 38263; relating
4 to suspension of entry of immigrants who present a risk
5 to the United States labor market during the economic
6 recovery following the 2019 novel coronavirus outbreak)
7 shall have no force or effect.

8 (b) EXCEPTION.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland
10 Security may only deny admission to an alien de-
11 scribed in subsection (a) pursuant to Presidential
12 Proclamation 10052 (85 Fed. Reg. 38263) with the
13 concurrence of the Secretary of Defense and the
14 Secretary of State.

15 (2) WRITTEN JUSTIFICATION.—The Secretary
16 of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Defense, and
17 the Secretary of State shall jointly issue a written
18 justification for any denial of admission under para-
19 graph (1).

20 (3) REPORT.—Not less frequently than month-
21 ly, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall submit
22 to Congress a report on denials of admission under
23 paragraph (1), including the number of such denials
24 during the preceding month and each written jus-

- 1 tification issued under paragraph (2) during such
- 2 period.

