

Public Law 109-423
109th Congress

An Act

Dec. 20, 2006
[H.R. 1285]

To extend for 3 years changes to requirements for admission of nonimmigrant nurses in health professional shortage areas made by the Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Act of 1999.

Nursing Relief
for
Disadvantaged
Areas
Reauthorization
Act of 2005.
8 USC 1101 note.

8 USC 1182 note.

Effective date.

Termination
date.

8 USC 1182 note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Reauthorization Act of 2005”.

SEC. 2. 3-YEAR EXTENSION FOR CHANGES TO REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION OF NONIMMIGRANT NURSES IN HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SHORTAGE AREAS.

Section 2 of the Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Act of 1999 (8 U.S.C. 1182 note) is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking “4-YEAR” and inserting “SPECIFIED”; and

(2) by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

“(e) LIMITING APPLICATION OF NONIMMIGRANT CHANGES TO SPECIFIED PERIOD.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to classification petitions filed for nonimmigrant status only during the period—

“(1) beginning on the date that interim or final regulations are first promulgated under subsection (d); and

“(2) ending on the date that is 3 years after the date of the enactment of the Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Reauthorization Act of 2005.”.

SEC. 3. EXEMPTION FROM ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.

The requirements of chapter 5 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the “Administrative Procedure Act”) or any other law relating to rulemaking, information collection or publication in the Federal Register, shall not apply to any action to implement the amendments made by section 2 to the extent the Secretary Homeland of Security, the Secretary of Labor, or the Secretary of Health and Human Services determines that

compliance with any such requirement would impede the expeditious implementation of such amendments.

Approved December 20, 2006.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.R. 1285:
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