

Public Law 99-505
99th Congress

An Act

Oct. 21, 1986
[H.R. 2224]

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit nonimmigrant alien crewmen on fishing vessels to stop temporarily at ports in Guam.

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

SECTION 1. NEW NONIMMIGRANT CREWMAN CLASSIFICATION.

Section 101(a)(15)(D) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(D)) is amended by inserting "(i)" after "(D)" and by adding at the end the following new clause:

"(ii) an alien crewman serving in good faith as such in any capacity required for normal operations and service aboard a fishing vessel having its home port or an operating base in the United States who intends to land temporarily in Guam and solely in pursuit of his calling as a crewman and to depart from Guam with the vessel on which he arrived;"

8 USC 1101 note.

SEC. 2. TREATMENT OF DEPARTURES FROM GUAM.

In the administration of section 101(a)(15)(D)(ii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (added by the amendment made by section 1 of this Act), an alien crewman shall be considered to have departed from Guam after leaving the territorial waters of Guam, without regard to whether the alien arrives in a foreign state before returning to Guam.

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