

Union Calendar No. 110

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2278

[Report No. 107-188]

To provide for work authorization for nonimmigrant spouses of intracompany transferees, and to reduce the period of time during which certain intracompany transferees have to be continuously employed before applying for admission to the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 21, 2001

Mr. GEKAS (for himself, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. CANNON, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Ms. DUNN of Washington, and Mr. DREIER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

AUGUST 2, 2001

Additional sponsor: Ms. ESHOO

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Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union
and ordered to be printed

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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. WORK AUTHORIZATION FOR SPOUSES OF**
4 **INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREES.**

5 Section 214(c)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality
6 Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)(2)) is amended by adding at the
7 end the following:

8 “(E) In the case of an alien spouse admitted under
9 section 101(a)(15)(L), who is accompanying or following
10 to join a principal alien admitted under such section, the
11 Attorney General shall authorize the alien spouse to en-
12 gage in employment in the United States and provide the
13 spouse with an ‘employment authorized’ endorsement or
14 other appropriate work permit.”.

15 **SEC. 2. REDUCTION OF REQUIRED PERIOD OF PRIOR CON-**
16 **TINUOUS EMPLOYMENT FOR CERTAIN**
17 **INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREES.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 214(c)(2)(A) of the Immi-
19 gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)(2)(A)) is
20 amended by adding at the end the following:

21 “In the case of an alien seeking admission under section
22 101(a)(15)(L), the one-year period of continuous employ-
23 ment required under such section is deemed to be reduced
24 to a 6-month period if the importing employer has filed
25 a blanket petition under this subparagraph and met the

1 requirements for expedited processing of aliens covered
2 under such petition.”.

3 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
4 101(a)(15)(L) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
5 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(L)) is amended by striking “an alien
6 who,” and inserting “subject to section 214(c)(2), an alien
7 who,”.

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