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H. R. 4594

To provide for a 1-year extension of the Afghan Special Immigrant Visa Program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 7, 2014

Mr. BLUMENAUER (for himself, Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. ENGEL, and Mr. REICHERT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A BILL

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

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the “Afghan Allies Protec-
5 tion Extension Act”.

6 SEC. 2. EXTENSION AND EXPANSION OF AFGHAN SPECIAL 7 IMMIGRANT VISA PROGRAM

8 Section 602(b) of the Afghan Allies Protection Act
9 of 2009 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (2)—

2 (A) in subparagraph (A)—

3 (i) by amending clause (ii) to read as
4 follows:

5 “(ii) was or is employed in Afghani-
6 stan on or after October 7, 2001, for not
7 less than 1 year—

8 “(I) by, or on behalf of, the
9 United States Government;

10 “(II) by, or on behalf of, an orga-
11 nization or entity closely associated
12 with the United States mission in Af-
13 ghanistan that has received United
14 States Government funding through
15 an official and documented contract,
16 award, grant, or cooperative agree-
17 ment, including the International Se-
18 curity Assistance Force; or

19 “(III) by, or on behalf of, a
20 media or nongovernmental organiza-
21 tion headquartered in the United
22 States;”;

23 (ii) in clause (iii), by striking “the
24 United States Government” and inserting

1 “an entity or organization described in
2 clause (ii)”; and

3 (iii) in clause (iv), by striking “by the
4 United States Government” and inserting
5 “described in clause (ii)”; and

6 (B) by amending subparagraph (B) to read
7 as follows:

8 “(B) FAMILY MEMBERS.—An alien is de-
9 scribed in this subparagraph if the alien is—

10 “(i) the spouse or minor child of a
11 principal alien described in subparagraph
12 (A) who is accompanying or following to
13 join the principal alien in the United
14 States; or

15 “(ii)(I) the spouse, child, parent, or
16 sibling of a principal alien described in
17 subparagraph (A), whether or not accom-
18 panying or following to join; and

19 “(II) has experienced or is experi-
20 encing an ongoing serious threat as a con-
21 sequence of the qualifying employment of a
22 principal alien described in subparagraph
23 (A).”; and

24 (2) in paragraph (3), by amending subpara-
25 graph (D) to read as follows:

1 “(D) ADDITIONAL FISCAL YEARS.—For
2 each of fiscal years 2014 and 2015, the total
3 number of principal aliens who may be provided
4 special immigrant status under this section may
5 not exceed 3,000 per year, except that—

6 “(i) notwithstanding subparagraph
7 (C), any unused balance of the total num-
8 ber of principal aliens who may be pro-
9 vided special immigrant status in fiscal
10 years 2014 and 2015 may be carried for-
11 ward and provided through December 31,
12 2016;

13 “(ii) the 1-year period during which
14 an alien must have been employed in ac-
15 cordance with paragraph (2)(A)(ii) shall be
16 the period from October 7, 2001, through
17 December 31, 2014; and

18 “(iii) the principal alien seeking spe-
19 cial immigrant status under this subpara-
20 graph shall apply to the Chief of Mission
21 in accordance with paragraph (2)(D) not
22 later than December 31, 2015.”.

