

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate discrimination in the immigration laws by permitting permanent partners of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents to obtain lawful permanent resident status in the same manner as spouses of citizens and lawful permanent residents and to penalize immigration fraud in connection with permanent partnerships.

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To provide for comprehensive immigration reform and for other purposes.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. LEAHY to the
Committee amendment

Viz:

1 At the end of title II, add the following:

2 **Subtitle F—Uniting American**
3 **Families**

4 **SEC. 2601. SHORT TITLE.**

5 This subtitle may be cited as the “Uniting American
6 Families Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2602. DEFINITIONS OF PERMANENT PARTNER AND**
2 **PERMANENT PARTNERSHIP.**

3 Section 101(a) (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)) is amended—

4 (1) in paragraph (15)(K)(ii), by inserting “or
5 permanent partnership” after “marriage”; and

6 (2) by inserting after paragraph (54), as added
7 by section 4211(f), the following:

8 “(55) The term ‘permanent partner’ means an
9 individual 18 years of age or older who—

10 “(A) is in a committed, intimate relation-
11 ship with another individual 18 years of age or
12 older in which both individuals intend a lifelong
13 commitment;

14 “(B) is financially interdependent with
15 that other individual;

16 “(C) is not married to, or in a permanent
17 partnership with, any individual other than that
18 other individual;

19 “(D) is unable to contract with that other
20 individual a marriage cognizable under this Act;
21 and

22 “(E) is not a first, second, or third degree
23 blood relation of that other individual.

24 “(56) The term ‘permanent partnership’ means
25 the relationship that exists between 2 permanent
26 partners.”.

1 **SEC. 2603. WORLDWIDE LEVEL OF IMMIGRATION.**

2 Section 201(b)(2) (8 U.S.C. 1151(b)(2)), as amended
3 by section 2305(a), is further amended—

4 (1) in subparagraph (B)—

5 (A) in clause (i), by inserting “permanent
6 partner,” after “spouse,”; and

7 (B) in clauses (ii), (iii), and (iv), by strik-
8 ing “or spouse” each place it appears and in-
9 serting “, spouse, or permanent partner”;

10 (2) in subparagraph (C)—

11 (A) by striking “spouse or” and inserting
12 “spouse, permanent partner, or”; and

13 (B) by inserting “or permanent partner”
14 after “alien spouse” each place such term ap-
15 pears; and

16 (3) in subparagraph (D), by striking “spouse
17 or” and inserting “spouse, permanent partner, or”.

18 **SEC. 2604. NUMERICAL LIMITATIONS ON INDIVIDUAL FOR-**
19 **EIGN STATES.**

20 (a) PER COUNTRY LEVELS.—Section 202(a)(4) (8
21 U.S.C. 1152(a)(4)) is amended—

22 (1) in the paragraph heading, by inserting “,
23 PERMANENT PARTNERS,” after “SPOUSES”; and

24 (2) in the heading of subparagraph (A), as re-
25 designated by section 2305(d)(4)(A)(ii), by striking
26 “AND DAUGHTERS” and inserting “WITHOUT PER-

1 MANENT PARTNERS AND UNMARRIED DAUGHTERS
2 WITHOUT PERMANENT PARTNERS”.

3 (b) RULES FOR CHARGEABILITY.—Section 202(b)(2)
4 (8 U.S.C. 1152(b)(2)) is amended—

5 (1) by striking “his spouse” and inserting “his
6 or her spouse or permanent partner”;

7 (2) by striking “such spouse” each place it ap-
8 pears and inserting “such spouse or permanent part-
9 ner”; and

10 (3) by inserting “or permanent partners” after
11 “husband and wife”.

12 **SEC. 2605. ALLOCATION OF IMMIGRANT VISAS.**

13 (a) PREFERENCE ALLOCATION FOR FAMILY MEM-
14 BERS OF PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIENS.—Section
15 203(a)(2) (8 U.S.C. 1153(a)(2)), as amended by section
16 2305(b)(2), is further amended—

17 (1) by striking the paragraph heading and in-
18 serting the following:

19 “(2) UNMARRIED SONS WITHOUT PERMANENT
20 PARTNERS AND UNMARRIED DAUGHTERS WITHOUT
21 PERMANENT PARTNERS OF PERMANENT RESIDENT
22 ALIENS.—”; and

23 (2) by striking “or unmarried daughters” and
24 inserting “without permanent partners or the un-
25 married daughters without permanent partners”.

1 (b) PREFERENCE ALLOCATION FOR SONS AND
2 DAUGHTERS OF CITIZENS.—Section 203(a)(3) (8 U.S.C.
3 1153(a)(3)) is amended—

4 (1) by striking the paragraph heading and in-
5 serting the following:

6 “(2) MARRIED SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF CITI-
7 ZENS AND SONS AND DAUGHTERS WITH PERMANENT
8 PARTNERS OF CITIZENS.—”; and

9 (2) by inserting “, or sons or daughters with
10 permanent partners,” after “daughters”.

11 (c) EMPLOYMENT CREATION.—Section
12 203(b)(5)(A)(ii) (8 U.S.C. 1153(b)(5)(A)(ii)) is amended
13 by inserting “permanent partner,” after “spouse,”.

14 (d) TREATMENT OF FAMILY MEMBERS.—Section
15 203(d) (8 U.S.C. 1153(d)), as amended by section
16 2307(c)(2), is further amended by striking “spouse or”
17 and inserting “spouse, permanent partner, or”.

18 **SEC. 2606. PROCEDURE FOR GRANTING IMMIGRANT STA-**
19 **TUS.**

20 (a) CLASSIFICATION PETITIONS.—Section 204(a)(1)
21 (8 U.S.C. 1154(a)(1)), as amended by section
22 2305(d)(6)(A)(i), is further amended—

23 (1) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “or per-
24 manent partner” after “spouse”;

25 (2) in subparagraph (C)—

1 (A) in clause (i), by inserting “or perma-
2 nent partnership” after “marriage” each place
3 it appears;

4 (B) by inserting “or permanent partner”
5 after “spouse” each place it appears; and

6 (C) in clause (ii), by inserting “or entered
7 into a permanent partnership” after “married”;

8 (3) in subparagraph (E)(i), by inserting “per-
9 manent partner,” after “is the spouse,”; and
10 (4) in subparagraph (F)—

11 (A) by inserting “termination of the per-
12 manent partnership,” after “divorce,”; and

13 (B) by inserting “, permanent partner,”
14 after “spouse”.

15 (b) IMMIGRATION FRAUD PREVENTION.—Section
16 204(c) (8 U.S.C. 1154(c)) is amended—

17 (1) by inserting “or permanent partner” after
18 “spouse” each place it appears; and

19 (2) by inserting “or permanent partnership”
20 after “marriage” each place it appears.

21 **SEC. 2607. ANNUAL ADMISSION OF REFUGEES AND ADMIS-**
22 **SION OF EMERGENCY SITUATION REFUGEES.**

23 Section 207(c) (8 U.S.C. 1157(c)) is amended—

24 (1) in paragraph (2)—

1 (A) by inserting “, permanent partner,”
2 after “spouse” each place it appears; and
3 (B) by inserting “, permanent partner’s,”
4 after “spouse’s”; and
5 (2) in paragraph (4), by inserting “, permanent
6 partner,” after “spouse”.

7 **SEC. 2608. ASYLUM.**

8 Section 208(b)(3) (8 U.S.C. 1158(b)(3)) is amend-
9 ed—

10 (1) in the paragraph heading, by inserting “,
11 PERMANENT PARTNER,” after “SPOUSE”; and
12 (2) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “, perma-
13 nent partner,” after “spouse”.

14 **SEC. 2609. ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS OF REFUGEES.**

15 Section 209(b)(3) (8 U.S.C. 1159(b)(3)) is amended
16 by inserting “, permanent partner,” after “spouse”.

17 **SEC. 2610. INADMISSIBLE ALIENS.**

18 (a) CLASSES OF ALIENS INELIGIBLE FOR VISAS OR
19 ADMISSION.—Section 212(a) (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)) is
20 amended—

21 (1) in paragraph (3)(D)(iv), by inserting “per-
22 manent partner,” after “spouse,”;
23 (2) in paragraph (4)(C)(i)(I), by inserting “,
24 permanent partner,” after “spouse”;

1 (3) in paragraph (6)(E)(ii), by inserting “per-
2 manent partner,” after “spouse,”; and

3 (4) in paragraph (9)(B)(v), as amended by sec-
4 tion 2313(b)—

5 (A) by inserting “permanent partner,”
6 after “the spouse,”; and

7 (B) by inserting “, permanent partner,”
8 after “lawfully resident spouse”.

9 (b) WAIVERS.—Section 212(d) (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)) is
10 amended—

11 (1) in paragraph (11), by inserting “permanent
12 partner,” after “spouse,”; and

13 (2) in paragraph (12), by inserting “, perma-
14 nent partner,” after “spouse”.

15 (c) WAIVERS OF INADMISSIBILITY ON HEALTH-RE-
16 LATED GROUNDS.—Section 212(g)(1)(A) (8 U.S.C.
17 1182(g)(1)(A)) is amended by inserting “, permanent
18 partner,” after “spouse”.

19 (d) WAIVERS OF INADMISSIBILITY ON CRIMINAL AND
20 RELATED GROUNDS.—Section 212(h)(1)(B) (8 U.S.C.
21 1182(h)(1)(B)) is amended by inserting “permanent part-
22 ner,” after “spouse,”.

1 **SEC. 2611. NONIMMIGRANT STATUS FOR PERMANENT**
2 **PARTNERS AWAITING THE AVAILABILITY OF**
3 **AN IMMIGRANT VISA.**

4 Section 214(r) (8 U.S.C. 1184(r)) is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or perma-
6 nent partner” after “spouse”; and

7 (2) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or perma-
8 nent partnership” after “marriage” each place it ap-
9 pears.

10 **SEC. 2612. CONDITIONAL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS**
11 **FOR CERTAIN ALIEN SPOUSES, PERMANENT**
12 **PARTNERS, AND SONS AND DAUGHTERS.**

13 (a) SECTION HEADING.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The heading for section 216
15 (8 U.S.C. 1186a) is amended by striking “AND
16 SONS” and inserting “, PERMANENT PARTNERS,
17 SONS,”.

18 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of con-
19 tents is amended by amending the item relating to
20 section 216 to read as follows:

“Sec. 216. Conditional permanent resident status for certain alien spouses, per-
manent partners, sons, and daughters.”.

21 (b) IN GENERAL.—Section 216(a) (8 U.S.C.
22 1186a(a)) is amended—

23 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or perma-
24 nent partner” after “spouse”; and

1 (2) in paragraph (2)—

2 (A) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “or
3 permanent partner” after “spouse”;

4 (B) in subparagraph (B), by inserting
5 “permanent partner,” after “spouse,”; and

6 (C) in subparagraph (C), by inserting
7 “permanent partner,” after “spouse,”.

8 (c) TERMINATION OF STATUS IF FINDING THAT
9 QUALIFYING MARRIAGE IMPROPER.—Section 216(b) (8
10 U.S.C. 1186a(b)) is amended—

11 (1) in the subsection heading, by inserting “OR
12 PERMANENT PARTNERSHIP” after “MARRIAGE”;
13 and

14 (2) in paragraph (1)(A)—

15 (A) by inserting “or permanent partner-
16 ship” after “marriage”; and

17 (B) in clause (ii)—

18 (i) by inserting “or has ceased to sat-
19 isfy the criteria for being considered a per-
20 manent partnership under this Act,” after
21 “terminated,”; and

22 (ii) by inserting “or permanent part-
23 ner” after “spouse”.

1 (d) REQUIREMENTS OF TIMELY PETITION AND
2 INTERVIEW FOR REMOVAL OF CONDITION.—Section
3 216(c) (8 U.S.C. 1186a(c)) is amended—

4 (1) in paragraphs (1), (2)(A)(ii), (3)(A)(ii),
5 (3)(C), (4)(B), and (4)(C), by inserting “or perma-
6 nent partner” after “spouse” each place it appears;
7 and

8 (2) in paragraph (3)(A), (3)(D), (4)(B), and
9 (4)(C), by inserting “or permanent partnership”
10 after “marriage” each place it appears.

11 (e) CONTENTS OF PETITION.—Section 216(d)(1) (8
12 U.S.C. 1186a(d)(1)) is amended—

13 (1) in subparagraph (A)—

14 (A) in the heading, by inserting “OR PER-
15 MANENT PARTNERSHIP” after “MARRIAGE”;

16 (B) in clause (i)—

17 (i) by inserting “or permanent part-
18 nership” after “marriage”;

19 (ii) in subclause (I), by inserting be-
20 fore the comma at the end “, or is a per-
21 manent partnership recognized under this
22 Act”; and

23 (iii) in subclause (II)—

24 (I) by inserting “or has not
25 ceased to satisfy the criteria for being

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1 considered a permanent partnership
2 under this Act,” after “terminated,”;
3 and

4 (II) by inserting “or permanent
5 partner” after “spouse”; and

6 (C) in clause (ii), by inserting “or perma-
7 nent partner” after “spouse”; and

8 (2) in subparagraph (B)(i)—

9 (A) by inserting “or permanent partner-
10 ship” after “marriage”; and

11 (B) by inserting “or permanent partner”
12 after “spouse”.

13 (f) DEFINITIONS.—Section 216(g) (8 U.S.C.
14 1186a(g)) is amended—

15 (1) in paragraph (1)—

16 (A) by inserting “or permanent partner”
17 after “spouse” each place it appears; and

18 (B) by inserting “or permanent partner-
19 ship” after “marriage” each place it appears;

20 (2) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or perma-
21 nent partnership” after “marriage”;

22 (3) in paragraph (3), by inserting “or perma-
23 nent partnership” after “marriage”; and

24 (4) in paragraph (4)—

- 1 (A) by inserting “or permanent partner”
2 after “spouse” each place it appears; and
3 (B) by inserting “or permanent partner-
4 ship” after “marriage”.

5 **SEC. 2613. CONDITIONAL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS**
6 **FOR CERTAIN ALIEN ENTREPRENEURS,**
7 **SPOUSES, PERMANENT PARTNERS, AND CHIL-**
8 **DREN.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 216A (8 U.S.C. 1186b)
10 is amended—

11 (1) in the section heading, by inserting “, PER-
12 MANENT PARTNERS,” after “SPOUSES”; and

13 (2) in paragraphs (1), (2)(A), (2)(B), and
14 (2)(C), by inserting “or permanent partner” after
15 “spouse” each place it appears.

16 (b) TERMINATION OF STATUS IF FINDING THAT
17 QUALIFYING ENTREPRENEURSHIP IMPROPER.—Section
18 216A(b)(1) (8 U.S.C. 1186b(b)(1)) is amended by insert-
19 ing “or permanent partner” after “spouse” in the matter
20 following subparagraph (C).

21 (c) REQUIREMENTS OF TIMELY PETITION AND
22 INTERVIEW FOR REMOVAL OF CONDITION.—Section
23 216A(c) (8 U.S.C. 1186b(c)) is amended, in paragraphs
24 (1), (2)(A)(ii), and (3)(C), by inserting “or permanent
25 partner” after “spouse”.

1 (d) DEFINITIONS.—Section 216A(f)(2) (8 U.S.C.
2 1186b(f)(2)) is amended by inserting “or permanent part-
3 ner” after “spouse” each place it appears.

4 (e) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
5 is amended by amending the item relating to section 216A
6 to read as follows:

“Sec. 216A. Conditional permanent resident status for certain alien entre-
preneurs, spouses, permanent partners, and children.”.

7 **SEC. 2614. DEPORTABLE ALIENS.**

8 Section 237(a)(1) (8 U.S.C. 1227(a)(1)) is amend-
9 ed—

10 (1) in subparagraph (D)(i), by inserting “or
11 permanent partners” after “spouses” each place it
12 appears;

13 (2) in subparagraphs (E)(ii), (E)(iii), and
14 (H)(i)(I), by inserting “or permanent partner” after
15 “spouse”;

16 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (E) the fol-
17 lowing:

18 “(F) PERMANENT PARTNERSHIP FRAUD.—

19 An alien shall be considered to be deportable as
20 having procured a visa or other documentation
21 by fraud (within the meaning of section
22 212(a)(6)(C)(i)) and to be in the United States
23 in violation of this Act (within the meaning of
24 subparagraph (B)) if—

1 “(i) the alien obtains any admission to
2 the United States with an immigrant visa
3 or other documentation procured on the
4 basis of a permanent partnership entered
5 into less than 2 years before such admis-
6 sion and which, within 2 years subsequent
7 to such admission, is terminated because
8 the criteria for permanent partnership are
9 no longer fulfilled, unless the alien estab-
10 lishes to the satisfaction of the Secretary
11 of Homeland Security that such permanent
12 partnership was not contracted for the
13 purpose of evading any provision of the im-
14 migration laws; or

15 “(ii) it appears to the satisfaction of
16 the Secretary of Homeland Security that
17 the alien has failed or refused to fulfill the
18 alien’s permanent partnership, which the
19 Secretary of Homeland Security deter-
20 mines was made for the purpose of pro-
21 curing the alien’s admission as an immi-
22 grant.”; and

23 (4) in paragraphs (2)(E)(i) and (3)(C)(ii), by
24 inserting “or permanent partner” after “spouse”
25 each place it appears.

1 **SEC. 2615. REMOVAL PROCEEDINGS.**

2 Section 240 (8 U.S.C. 1229a) is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (c)(7)(C), in the heading of
4 clause (iv), by inserting “PERMANENT PARTNERS,”
5 after “SPOUSES,”; and

6 (2) in subsection (e)(1), by inserting “perma-
7 nent partner,” after “spouse,”.

8 **SEC. 2616. CANCELLATION OF REMOVAL; ADJUSTMENT OF**
9 **STATUS.**

10 Section 240A(b) (8 U.S.C. 1229b(b)) is amended—

11 (1) in paragraph (1)(D), by inserting “or per-
12 manent partner” after “spouse”; and

13 (2) in paragraph (2)—

14 (A) in the paragraph heading, by inserting
15 “, PERMANENT PARTNER,” after “SPOUSE”;
16 and

17 (B) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “,
18 permanent partner,” after “spouse” each place
19 it appears.

20 **SEC. 2617. ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS OF NONIMMIGRANT TO**
21 **THAT OF PERSON ADMITTED FOR PERMA-**
22 **NENT RESIDENCE.**

23 (a) PROHIBITION ON ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.—

24 Section 245(d) (8 U.S.C. 1255(d)), as amended by section
25 2309(c), is further amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or perma-
2 nent partnership” after “marriage”; and

3 (2) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or perma-
4 nent partner” after “spouse”.

5 (b) AVOIDING IMMIGRATION FRAUD.—Section 245(e)
6 (8 U.S.C. 1255(e)) is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or perma-
8 nent partnership” after “marriage”; and

9 (2) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(4)(A) Paragraph (1) and section 204(g) shall not
11 apply with respect to a permanent partnership if the alien
12 establishes by clear and convincing evidence to the satis-
13 faction of the Secretary of Homeland Security that—

14 “(i) the permanent partnership was entered
15 into in good faith and in accordance with section
16 101(a)(52);

17 “(ii) the permanent partnership was not en-
18 tered into for the purpose of procuring the alien’s
19 admission as an immigrant; and

20 “(iii) no fee or other consideration was given
21 (other than a fee or other consideration to an attor-
22 ney for assistance in preparation of a lawful peti-
23 tion) for the filing of a petition under section 204(a)
24 or 214(d) with respect to the alien permanent part-
25 ner.

1 “(B) The Secretary shall promulgate regulations that
2 provide for only 1 level of administrative appellate review
3 for each alien under subparagraph (A).”.

4 (c) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS FOR CERTAIN ALIENS
5 PAYING FEE.—Section 245(i)(1)(B) (8 U.S.C.
6 1255(i)(1)(B)) is amended by inserting “, permanent
7 partner,” after “spouse”.

8 **SEC. 2618. APPLICATION OF CRIMINAL PENALTIES TO FOR**
9 **MISREPRESENTATION AND CONCEALMENT**
10 **OF FACTS REGARDING PERMANENT PART-**
11 **NERSHIPS.**

12 Section 275(c) (8 U.S.C. 1325(c)), as amended by
13 section 3704(a), is further amended to read as follows:

14 “(c) FRAUDULENT MARRIAGE OR PERMANENT
15 PARTNERSHIP.—Any individual who knowingly enters into
16 a marriage or permanent partnership for the purpose of
17 evading any provision of the immigration laws shall be im-
18 prisoned for not more than 5 years, fined not more than
19 \$250,000, or both.”.

20 **SEC. 2619. REQUIREMENTS AS TO RESIDENCE, GOOD**
21 **MORAL CHARACTER, ATTACHMENT TO CON-**
22 **STITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES.**

23 Section 316(b) (8 U.S.C. 1427(b)) is amended by in-
24 serting “, permanent partner,” after “spouse”.

1 **SEC. 2620. NATURALIZATION FOR PERMANENT PARTNERS**
2 **OF CITIZENS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 319 (8 U.S.C. 1430) is
4 amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a), as amended by section
6 2312(c)—

7 (A) by inserting “or permanent partner”
8 after “spouse” each place it appears; and

9 (B) by inserting “or permanent partner-
10 ship” after “marital union”;

11 (2) in subsection (b)—

12 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or per-
13 manent partner” after “spouse”; and

14 (B) in paragraph (3), by inserting “or per-
15 manent partner” after “spouse”;

16 (3) in subsection (d)—

17 (A) by inserting “or permanent partner”
18 after “spouse” each place it appears; and

19 (B) by inserting “or permanent partner-
20 ship” after “marital union”;

21 (4) in subsection (e)(1)—

22 (A) by inserting “or permanent partner”
23 after “spouse”;

24 (B) by inserting “by the Secretary of De-
25 fense” after “is authorized”; and

1 (C) by inserting “or permanent partner-
2 ship” after “marital union”; and

3 (5) in subsection (e)(2), by inserting “or per-
4 manent partner” after “spouse”.

5 (b) SAVINGS PROVISION.—Section 319(e) (8 U.S.C.
6 1430(e)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

7 “(3) Nothing in this subsection may be construed to
8 confer a right for an alien to accompany a member of the
9 Armed Forces of the United States or to reside abroad
10 with such member, except as authorized by the Secretary
11 of Defense in the member’s official orders.”.

12 **SEC. 2621. APPLICATION OF FAMILY UNITY PROVISIONS TO**
13 **PERMANENT PARTNERS OF CERTAIN LIFE**
14 **ACT BENEFICIARIES.**

15 Section 1504 of the LIFE Act Amendments of 2000
16 (division B of Public Law 106–554; 114 Stat. 2763–325)
17 is amended—

18 (1) in the heading, by inserting “, **PERMA-**
19 **NENT PARTNERS,**” after “**SPOUSES**”;

20 (2) in subsection (a), by inserting “, permanent
21 partner,” after “spouse”; and

22 (3) in each of subsections (b) and (c)—

23 (A) in each of the subsection headings, by
24 inserting “, **PERMANENT PARTNERS,**” after
25 “**SPOUSES**”; and

1 (B) by inserting “, permanent partner,”
2 after “spouse” each place it appears.

3 **SEC. 2622. APPLICATION TO CUBAN ADJUSTMENT ACT.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The first section of Public Law
5 89–732 (8 U.S.C. 1255 note) is amended—

6 (1) in the next to last sentence, by inserting “,
7 permanent partner,” after “spouse” the first 2
8 places it appears; and

9 (2) in the last sentence, by inserting “, perma-
10 nent partners,” after “spouses”.

11 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
12 101(a)(51)(C) (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(51)(C)), as redesignated
13 by section 2305(d)(6)(B)(i)(III)(cc), is amended by strik-
14 ing “or spouse” and inserting “, spouse, or permanent
15 partner”.