

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To restore Medicaid for Compact of Free Association migrants.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—116th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. 1494

To amend the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 to protect alien minors and to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to end abuse of the asylum system and establish refugee application and processing centers outside the United States, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by _____

Viz:

1 At the end, add the following:

2 **SEC. 7. TO RESTORE MEDICAID FOR COMPACT OF FREE AS-**
3 **SOCIATION MIGRANTS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title II of the Immigration and
5 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151 et seq.) is amended by
6 inserting after section 214 the following:

7 **“SEC. 214A. TREATMENT OF COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIA-**
8 **TION MIGRANTS.**

9 “Notwithstanding any other provision of law, with re-
10 spect to eligibility for benefits for the Federal program

1 defined in 402(b)(3)(C) of the Personal Responsibility and
2 Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C.
3 1612(b)(3)(C)) (relating to the Medicaid program), sec-
4 tions 401(a), 402(b)(1), and 403(a) of the Personal Re-
5 sponsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of
6 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1611(a), 1612(b)(1), 1613(a)) shall not
7 apply to any individual who lawfully resides in the United
8 States in accordance with the Compacts of Free Associa-
9 tion between the Government of the United States and
10 the Governments of the Federated States of Micronesia,
11 the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of
12 Palau. Any individual to which the preceding sentence ap-
13 plies shall be considered to be a qualified alien for pur-
14 poses of title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work
15 Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1601
16 et seq.), but only with respect to the designated Federal
17 program defined in section 402(b)(3)(C) of such Act (re-
18 lating to the Medicaid program) (8 U.S.C.
19 1612(b)(3)(C)).”.

20 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 1108 of
21 the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1308) is amended—

22 (1) in subsection (f), in the matter preceding
23 paragraph (1), by striking “subsection (g)” and in-
24 serting “subsections (g) and (h)”; and

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

1 “(h) The limitations of subsections (f) and (g) shall
2 not apply with respect to medical assistance provided to
3 an individual described in section 214A of the Immigra-
4 tion and Nationality Act.”.

5 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
6 this section shall apply to benefits for items and services
7 furnished on or after the date of the enactment of this
8 Act.