

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for an extension of the application period for certain aliens present in the United States for adjustment of status.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. ESPAILLAT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Family Reunification
5 Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF THE APPLICATION PERIOD FOR**
2 **CERTAIN ALIENS PRESENT IN THE UNITED**
3 **STATES FOR ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.**

4 Section 245(i)(1)(B)(i) of the Immigration and Na-
5 tionality Act (8 U.S.C. 1255(i)(1)(B)(i)) is amended by
6 striking “or before April 30, 2001” and inserting the fol-
7 lowing: “or after the date that is not later than 5 years
8 after the date of enactment of the Family Reunification
9 Act of 2019”.

10 **SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON REMOVAL.**

11 Section 245 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
12 (8 U.S.C. 1255) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
13 lowing:

14 “(n) An alien who is the beneficiary (including a
15 spouse or child of the principal alien, if eligible to receive
16 a visa under section 203(d)) of a petition for classification
17 under section 204 that was filed with the Secretary of the
18 Department of Homeland Security and that is prima facie
19 eligible for approval may not be removed while such peti-
20 tion or application is being adjudicated or appealed.”.