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H. R. 840

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 24, 1999

Mr. PALLONE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. ADMISSION OF CERTAIN "B" AND "F" VISA NON-**
2 **IMMIGRANTS WHO ARE SPOUSES OR CHIL-**
3 **DREN OF UNITED STATES PERMANENT RESI-**
4 **DENT ALIENS.**

5 Section 212 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
6 (8 U.S.C. 1182) is amended by adding at the end thereof
7 the following new subsection:

8 "(r)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
9 no alien—

10 "(A) who is—

11 "(i) the spouse or child of an alien lawfully
12 admitted for permanent residence to the United
13 States; and

14 "(ii) not eligible to enter the United States
15 as an immigrant except by reason of being such
16 a spouse or child; and

17 "(B) who seeks admission to the United States
18 for purposes of visiting the permanent resident
19 spouse or parent or for studying in the United
20 States; and

21 "(C) who is otherwise qualified;

22 may be denied issuance of a visa, or may be denied admis-
23 sion to the United States, as a nonimmigrant alien de-
24 scribed in section 101(a)(15)(B) who is coming to the
25 United States temporarily for pleasure or as a non-
26 immigrant alien described in section 101(a)(15)(F).

1 “(2) Whenever an alien described in paragraph (1)
2 seeks admission to the United States as a nonimmigrant
3 alien described in section 101(a)(15)(B) who is coming
4 temporarily for pleasure or as a nonimmigrant alien de-
5 scribed in section 101(a)(15)(F), the fact that a petition
6 has been filed on the alien's behalf for classification of
7 the alien as an alien lawfully admitted for permanent resi-
8 dence shall not constitute evidence of the alien's intention
9 to abandon his or her foreign residence.”.

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