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Mr. SMITH of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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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. 2-YEAR EXTENSION OF VISA WAIVER PILOT**
2 **PROGRAM.**

3 Section 217(f) of the Immigration and Naturalization
4 Act is amended by striking “1997.” and inserting
5 “1999.”.

6 **SEC. 2. DATA ON NONIMMIGRANT OVERSTAY RATES.**

7 (a) **COLLECTION OF DATA.**—Not later than the date
8 that is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this
9 Act, the Attorney General shall implement a program to
10 collect data, for each fiscal year, regarding the total num-
11 ber of aliens within each of the classes of nonimmigrant
12 aliens described in section 101(a)(15) of the Immigration
13 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)) whose author-
14 ized period of stay in the United States terminated during
15 the previous fiscal year, but who remained in the United
16 States notwithstanding such termination.

17 (b) **ANNUAL REPORT.**—Not later than June 30,
18 1999, and not later than June 30 of each year thereafter,
19 the Attorney General shall submit an annual report to the
20 Congress providing numerical estimates, for each country
21 for the preceding fiscal year, of the number of aliens from
22 the country who are described in subsection (a).