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H. R. 3037

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 13, 1997

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

AN ACT

To clarify that unmarried children of Vietnamese reeducation camp internees are eligible for refugee status under the Orderly Departure Program.

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 “Justice for Victims
5 of Communism Act of 1997”.

6 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY FOR REFUGEE STATUS.**

7 Section 584 of the Foreign Operations, Export Fi-
8 nancing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1997
9 (Public Law 104–208; 110 Stat. 3009–171) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a)—

11 (A) by striking “For purposes” and insert-
12 ing “Notwithstanding any other provision of
13 law, for purposes”; and

14 (B) by striking “fiscal year 1997” and in-
15 serting “fiscal years 1997 and 1998”; and

16 (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-
17 lows:

18 “(b) ALIENS COVERED.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An alien described in this
20 subsection is an alien who—

21 “(A) is the son or daughter of a qualified
22 national;

23 “(B) is 21 years of age or older; and

1 “(C) was unmarried as of the date of ac-
2 ceptance of the alien’s parent for resettlement
3 under the Orderly Departure Program.

4 “(2) QUALIFIED NATIONAL.—For purposes of
5 paragraph (1), the term ‘qualified national’ means a
6 national of Vietnam who—

7 “(A)(i) was formerly interned in a reeduca-
8 tion camp in Vietnam by the Government of the
9 Socialist Republic of Vietnam; or

10 “(ii) is the widow or widower of an individ-
11 ual described in clause (i); and

12 “(B)(i) qualified for refugee processing
13 under the reeducation camp internees subpro-
14 gram of the Orderly Departure Program; and

15 “(ii) on or after April 1, 1995, is or has
16 been accepted—

17 “(I) for resettlement as a refugee; or

18 “(II) for admission as an immigrant
19 under the Orderly Departure Program.”.

Passed the House of Representatives November 13,
1997.

Attest:

ROBIN H. CARLE,

Clerk.