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S. 2812

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide a waiver of the oath of renunciation and allegiance for naturalization of aliens having certain disabilities.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 29, 2000

Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. DODD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. KOHL, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mr. KENNEDY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. WAIVER OF OATH OF RENUNCIATION AND AL-**
4 **LEGIANCE FOR NATURALIZATION OF ALIENS**
5 **HAVING CERTAIN DISABILITIES.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The last sentence of section
7 337(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
8 1448(a)) is amended to read as follows: “The Attorney
9 General may waive the taking of the oath if in the opinion

1 of the Attorney General the applicant for naturalization
2 is an individual with a disability, or a child, who is unable
3 to understand or communicate an understanding of the
4 meaning of the oath. If the Attorney General waives the
5 oath for such an individual, the individual shall be consid-
6 ered to have met the requirements of section 316(a)(3)
7 as to attachment to the Constitution and well disposition
8 to the United States.”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
10 subsection (a) shall apply to individuals who applied for
11 naturalization before, on, or after the date of enactment
12 of this Act.

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