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Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

AN ACT

To enable the Department of State to respond to a critical shortage of passport processing personnel, and for other purposes.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Passport Backlog Re-
3 duction Act of 2007”.

4 **SEC. 2. REEMPLOYMENT OF FOREIGN SERVICE ANNU-**
5 **ITANTS.**

6 Section 824(g) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980
7 (22 U.S.C. 4064(g)) is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (1)—

9 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “;
10 or” and inserting a semicolon;

11 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the
12 period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

13 (C) by adding at the end the following new
14 subparagraph—

15 “(C)(i) to provide assistance to consular posts
16 with a substantial backlog of visa applications; or

17 “(ii) to provide assistance to meet the demand
18 resulting from the passport and travel document re-
19 quirements set forth in section 7209(b) of the Intel-
20 ligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of
21 2004 (Public Law 108–458; 8 U.S.C. 1185 note).”;

22 (2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-
23 graph (4); and

24 (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
25 lowing new paragraph:

1 “(3) The authority of the Secretary to waive the ap-
2 plication of subsections (a) through (d) for an annuitant
3 pursuant to paragraph (1)(C) shall terminate on Sep-
4 tember 30, 2010.”.

Passed the Senate June 29, 2007.

Attest:

NANCY ERICKSON,

Secretary.