

## 115TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. R. 5694

To amend the Afghan Allies Protection Act of 2009.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 7, 2018

Mr. Kinzinger (for himself, Mr. Blumenauer, Mr. Moulton, and Mr. Stivers) 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,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Afghan Allies Protec-
- 5 tion Amendments Act of 2018".
- 6 SEC. 2. SPECIAL IMMIGRANT VISAS FOR AFGHAN ALLIES.
- 7 (a) In General.—Section 602(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the
- 8 Afghan Allies Protection Act of 2009 (8 U.S.C. 1101
- 9 note) is amended, in the matter preceding subclause (I),
- 10 by inserting "for the first time" after "submitting a peti-
- 11 tion".

1	(b) Numerical Limitations.—Section 602(b)(3) of
2	the Afghan Allies Protection Act of 2009 (8 U.S.C. 1101
3	note) is amended—
4	(1) by striking subparagraph (A) and inserting
5	the following:
6	"(A) FISCAL YEAR 2019.—
7	"(i) In general.—In addition to any
8	unused balance under subparagraph (F),
9	for fiscal year 2019, not more than 4,000
10	principal aliens may be granted special im-
11	migrant status under this subsection.
12	"(ii) Period of Employment.—For
13	purposes of this subparagraph, the period
14	of employment referred to in paragraph
15	(2)(A)(ii) shall end not later than Decem-
16	ber 31, 2021.
17	"(iii) Application.—For purposes of
18	this subparagraph, not later than Decem-
19	ber 31, 2021, a principal alien seeking spe-
20	cial immigrant status under this subsection
21	shall submit an application to the Chief of
22	Mission.";
23	(2) by striking subparagraph (C) and inserting
24	the following:

1	"(C) Carry forward.—If the numerical
2	limitation described in subparagraph (A)(i) is
3	not reached for fiscal year 2019, the numerical
4	limitation for each subsequent fiscal year shall
5	be established at a number equal to the dif-
6	ference between—
7	"(i) the numerical limitation described
8	in subparagraph (A)(i); and
9	"(ii) the number of principal aliens
10	granted special immigrant status under
11	this subsection during each fiscal year be-
12	ginning in fiscal year 2019.";
13	(3) in subparagraph (D), by striking "notwith-
14	standing the provisions of paragraph (C),"; and
15	(4) in subparagraph (F)—
16	(A) in clause (i), by striking "2020" and
17	inserting "2020;";
18	(B) in clause (ii), by striking "2020" and
19	inserting "2020;";
20	(C) by redesignating clauses (i) through
21	(iii) as subclauses (I) through (III), respec-
22	tively, and indenting appropriately;
23	(D) in the matter preceding subclause (I)
24	(as so redesignated), in the second sentence, by

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1	striking "For purposes" and inserting the fol-
2	lowing:
3	"(ii) Requirements.—For pur-
4	poses'';
5	(E) in the matter preceding clause (ii) (as
6	so designated)—
7	(i) by striking "exhausted,," and in-
8	serting "exhausted,"; and
9	(ii) by striking "In addition" and in-
10	serting the following:
11	"(i) In general.—In addition"; and
12	(F) by adding at the end the following:
13	"(iii) Unused visas.—Any unused
14	balance under this subparagraph shall be
15	added to the number under subparagraph
16	(A)(i) for use in fiscal year 2019.".
17	(c) Conversion of Petitions.—Section 2 of Public
18	Law 110–242 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note) is amended by strik-
19	ing subsection (b) and inserting the following:
20	"(b) Duration.—The authority under subsection (a)
21	shall expire on the date on which the numerical limitation
22	specified under section 1244 of the National Defense Au-
23	thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110–
24	181; 8 U.S.C. 1157 note) is reached.".

1	(d) Report Reform.—Section 602 of the Afghan
2	Allies Protection Act of 2009 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note) is
3	amended—
4	(1) in subsection (b)—
5	(A) by striking paragraph (10);
6	(B) by redesignating paragraphs (11)
7	through (16) as paragraphs (10) through (15)
8	respectively;
9	(C) in paragraph (11)(A) (as so redesign
10	nated), by striking "the National Defense Au-
11	thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014" and in-
12	serting "this Act";
13	(D) in paragraph (12) (as so redesign
14	nated), by striking "paragraph (12)(B)" and
15	inserting "paragraph (11)(B)"; and
16	(E) in paragraph (13) (as so redesig-
17	nated), in the matter preceding subparagraph
18	(A), by striking "a report to the" and all that
19	follows through "House of Representatives"
20	and inserting "a report to the appropriate com-
21	mittees of Congress";
22	(2) by striking subsection (c); and
23	(3) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
24	section (c)