

116TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 6558

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 17, 2020

Mr. WEBER of Texas (for himself, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. YOUNG, and Mr. CLOUD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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 “Landing Pass Exten-  
5 sion Act of 2020”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF TIME FOR A CONDITIONAL PERMIT**  
2 **TO LAND TEMPORARILY.**

3 Section 252 of the Immigration and Nationality Act  
4 (8 U.S.C. 1282(a)) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)—

6 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph  
7 (1)—

8 (i) by striking “(a) No alien crew-  
9 man” and inserting “(a)(1) No alien crew-  
10 man”;

11 (ii) by striking “he may” and insert-  
12 ing “the immigration officer may”; and

13 (iii) by striking “his discretion” and  
14 inserting “the immigration officer’s discre-  
15 tion”;

16 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2),  
17 and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), re-  
18 spectively;

19 (C) in subparagraph (A), as redesign-  
20 nated—

21 (i) by striking “twenty-nine” and in-  
22 serting “29”;

23 (ii) by striking “he” each place such  
24 term appears and inserting “the crew-  
25 man”; and

26 (iii) by striking “or” at the end;

1 (D) in subparagraph (B), as redesignated—  
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3 (i) by striking “twenty-nine” and inserting “29”;  
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5 (ii) by striking “he” each place such  
6 term appears and inserting “the crewman”;  
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8 (iii) by striking “one” and inserting “vessel or aircraft”; and  
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10 (iv) by striking the period at the end  
11 and inserting “; or”; and

12 (E) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(C) 180 days, if the immigration officer is  
14 satisfied that the crewman intends to depart,  
15 within the period for which the crewman is permitted to land, on a vessel other than the vessel  
16 on which the crewman arrived and that the  
17 crewman will perform ship-to-ship cargo transfer operations to or from any other vessel engaged in foreign trade.  
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21 “(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of  
22 law, the period of admission for an alien who is a  
23 nonimmigrant under section 101(a)(15)(C) in immediate and continuous transit through the United  
24 States to a vessel performing ship-to-ship cargo  
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1 transfer operations shall be up to, but shall not ex-  
2 ceed, 180 days.”; and

3 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “subsection  
4 (a)(1)” and inserting “subsection (a)(1)(A)”.

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