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# H. R. 1156

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 17, 2011

Mr. DENT 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 “Accountability in Im-  
5       migrant Repatriation Act of 2011”.

6       **SEC. 2. ALIEN REPATRIATION.**

7       Section 243(d) of the Immigration and Nationality  
8       Act (8 U.S.C. 1253(d)) is amended to read as follows:

1 “(d) ENSURING RETURN OF REMOVED ALIENS.—

2 “(1) DISCONTINUING GRANTING VISAS TO NA-  
3 TIONALS OF COUNTRIES DENYING OR DELAYING AC-  
4 CEPTING ALIEN.—On being notified by the Secretary  
5 of Homeland Security that the government of a for-  
6 eign country denies or unreasonably delays accepting  
7 an alien who is a citizen, subject, national, or resi-  
8 dent of that country after the Secretary of Home-  
9 land Security asks whether the government will ac-  
10 cept the alien under this section, the Secretary of  
11 State shall order consular officers in that foreign  
12 country to discontinue granting immigrant visas or  
13 nonimmigrant visas, or both, to citizens, subjects,  
14 nationals, and residents of that country until the  
15 Secretary of Homeland Security notifies the Sec-  
16 retary of State that the country has accepted the  
17 alien.

18 “(2) DENYING ADMISSION TO FOREIGN GOV-  
19 ERNMENT OFFICIALS OF COUNTRIES DENYING  
20 ALIEN RETURN.—If the Secretary of Homeland Se-  
21 curity determines that the government of a foreign  
22 country denies or unreasonably delays accepting an  
23 alien who is a citizen, subject, national, or resident  
24 of that country after the alien has been ordered re-  
25 moved, the Secretary of Homeland Security, in con-

1 sultation with the Secretary of State, may deny ad-  
2 mission to any citizen, subject, national, or resident  
3 of that country who is seeking or has received a non-  
4 immigrant visa pursuant to subparagraphs (A) and  
5 (G) of section 101(a)(15).

6 “(3) QUARTERLY REPORTS.—Not later than 90  
7 days after the date of the enactment of the Account-  
8 ability in Immigrant Repatriation Act of 2011, and  
9 every 3 months thereafter, the Secretary of Home-  
10 land Security shall submit to the Congress a report  
11 that—

12 “(A) lists all the countries which refuse or  
13 unreasonably delay repatriation; and

14 “(B) includes the total number of aliens  
15 who were refused repatriation, disaggregated  
16 by—

17 “(i) country;

18 “(ii) detention status; and

19 “(iii) criminal status.”.

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