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H. R. 10539

To amend section 222 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to prohibit the rejection of immigrant and nonimmigrant applications for omissions in certain fields not required.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 19, 2024

Mrs. RAMIREZ 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. APPLICATIONS FOR VISAS.**

4 Section 222 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
5 (8 U.S.C. 1202) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a), by adding after the period
7 at the end the following: “An application that is sub-
8 mitted in such form and manner and at such place

1 as prescribed by regulations may not be rejected
2 solely because it contains an omission in a field of
3 the application not required under such regula-
4 tions.”;

5 (2) in subsection (c), by adding after the period
6 at the end the following: “An application that is sub-
7 mitted in such form and manner as prescribed by
8 regulations may not be rejected solely because it
9 contains an omission in a field of the application not
10 required under such regulations.”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
13 Secretary of Homeland Security shall promulgate rules
14 and regulations to carry out any change to the adjudica-
15 tion criteria for an application or petition related to the
16 immigration status of an alien under this section that
17 would preclude or restrict consideration of such applica-
18 tion or petition.”.

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