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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. NADLER (for himself and Mr. COLLINS of Georgia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

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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 “Citizenship for Chil-  
5 dren of Military Members and Civil Servants Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FACILITATING THE AUTOMATIC ACQUISITION OF**  
2 **CITIZENSHIP FOR LAWFUL PERMANENT**  
3 **RESIDENT CHILDREN OF MILITARY AND FED-**  
4 **ERAL GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL RESIDING**  
5 **ABROAD.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 320 of the Immigration  
7 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1431) is amended—

8 (1) by striking the section header and inserting  
9 “CHILDREN BORN OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES  
10 AND LAWFULLY ADMITTED FOR PERMANENT RESI-  
11 DENCE; CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH CITIZENSHIP  
12 AUTOMATICALLY ACQUIRED”;

13 (2) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-  
14 section (d); and

15 (3) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
16 lowing:

17 “(c) Subsection (a)(3) is deemed satisfied in the case  
18 of a child who is lawfully admitted for permanent resi-  
19 dence in the United States if—

20 “(1) the child is residing in the legal and phys-  
21 ical custody of a citizen parent who is—

22 “(A) stationed and residing abroad as an  
23 employee of the Government of the United  
24 States; or

1           “(B) residing abroad in marital union with  
2           an employee of the Government of the United  
3           States who is stationed abroad; or

4           “(2) the child is—

5           “(A) residing in the legal and physical cus-  
6           tody of a citizen parent who is—

7           “(i) stationed and residing abroad as  
8           a member of the Armed Forces of the  
9           United States; or

10           “(ii) authorized to accompany and re-  
11           side abroad with a member of the Armed  
12           Forces of the United States pursuant to  
13           the member’s official orders, and is so ac-  
14           companying and residing abroad with the  
15           member in marital union; and

16           “(B) authorized to accompany such mem-  
17           ber and reside abroad with the member pursu-  
18           ant to the member’s official orders, and is so  
19           accompanying and residing with the member.”.

20           (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of con-  
21           tents for the Immigration and Nationality Act is amended  
22           by striking the item relating to section 320 and inserting  
23           the following:

          “Sec. 320. Children born outside the United States and lawfully admitted for  
          permanent residence; conditions under which citizenship auto-  
          matically acquired.”.