

114TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 4310

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to check an alien’s interactions on and posting of material to the Internet prior to the issuance of a visa, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 18, 2015

Mr. SALMON (for himself, Mr. MILLER of Florida, and Ms. SINEMA) 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 “Vet Electronic Trails
5 Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. INTERACTIONS ON AND POSTING OF MATERIAL TO**
2 **THE INTERNET CHECKED PRIOR TO**
3 **ISSUANCE OF VISA.**

4 Chapter 2 of title I of the Immigration and Nation-
5 ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151 et seq.) is amended by adding
6 after section 219 the following:

7 **“SEC. 220. INTERACTIONS ON AND POSTING OF MATERIAL**
8 **TO THE INTERNET CHECKED PRIOR TO**
9 **ISSUANCE OF VISA.**

10 “Prior to the issuance of an immigrant or non-
11 immigrant visa to any alien, the Secretary of Homeland
12 Security, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall
13 check the alien’s interactions on and posting of material
14 to the Internet (including social media services) in order
15 to ensure that the alien is not a threat to the security
16 of the United States.”.

17 **SEC. 3. GAO REPORT.**

18 On the date that is 3 years after the date of the en-
19 actment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United
20 States shall submit to Congress a report which includes—

21 (1) a description of the implementation of the
22 requirement under section 220 of the Immigration
23 and Nationality Act, as added by this Act; and

24 (2) an assessment of whether the implementa-
25 tion of such requirement has prevented the issuance
26 of a visa to any alien who—

1 (A) is not a threat to the national security
2 of the United States; or

3 (B) is a threat to the national security of
4 the United States.

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