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To effect a moratorium on immigration.

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Mr. ROSENDALE (for himself, Mr. HARRIS, Ms. BOEBERT, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. COLLINS, and Mr. WEBER of Texas) 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 “Mass Immigration Re-
5 duction Act of 2024”.

6 **SEC. 2. IMMIGRATION MORATORIUM DEFINED.**

7 As used in this Act, the term “immigration morato-
8 rium” means the period beginning on the date of the en-
9 actment of this Act, and ending on the date that is 5 years
10 after that date of enactment during which the President
11 submits a report to Congress, which is approved by a joint

1 resolution of Congress, that the flow of illegal immigration
2 has been reduced to less than 10,000 aliens per year and
3 that any increase in legal immigration resulting from ter-
4 mination of the immigration moratorium would have no
5 adverse impact on the wages and working conditions of
6 United States citizens, or the capacity of public schools,
7 public hospitals, and other public facilities to serve the
8 resident population in those localities where immigrants
9 are likely to settle.

10 **SEC. 3. WORLDWIDE LEVELS OF IMMIGRATION.**

11 Notwithstanding section 201 of the Immigration and
12 Nationality Act, during the immigration moratorium
13 under section 2 in lieu of the worldwide levels of immigra-
14 tion under section 201 of such Act—

15 (1) the worldwide level of family-sponsored im-
16 migrants under section 201(c) of such Act is zero;

17 (2) the worldwide level of employment-based
18 immigrants under section 201(d) of such Act is
19 5,000; and

20 (3) the worldwide level of diversity immigrants
21 under section 201(e) of such Act is zero.

22 **SEC. 4. ALLOTMENT OF VISAS.**

23 Notwithstanding section 203 of the Immigration and
24 Nationality Act, during the immigration moratorium

1 under section 2, in lieu of the number of visas that may
2 be allotted under section 203 of such Act—

3 (1) the number of visas that shall be allotted to
4 family-sponsored immigrants under section 203(a) of
5 such Act shall be zero;

6 (2) the number of visas that shall be allotted in
7 any fiscal year to priority workers under section
8 203(b)(1) of such Act shall not exceed the worldwide
9 level of employment-based immigrants for that fiscal
10 year, and the number of visas that shall be allotted
11 to other aliens subject to the worldwide level for em-
12 ployment-based immigrants shall be zero; and

13 (3) the number of visas that shall be allotted to
14 diversity immigrants under section 203(e) of such
15 Act shall be zero.

16 **SEC. 5. GRANTING IMMIGRANT STATUS.**

17 During the immigration moratorium under section 2,
18 the Attorney General may not approve any petition for
19 classification under section 204 of the Immigration and
20 Nationality Act except for classification by reason of a
21 family relationship described in section 201(b)(2) of such
22 Act or priority worker status under section 203(b)(1) of
23 such Act. Petitions that may not be approved during the
24 moratorium shall be returned to the persons who filed the
25 petitions.

1 **SEC. 6. ANNUAL ADMISSION OF REFUGEES.**

2 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, during
3 the immigration moratorium under section 2 the number
4 of refugees who may be admitted under section 207 of
5 such Act, including the number of admissions made avail-
6 able to adjust to the status of permanent residence the
7 status of aliens granted asylum under section 209(b) of
8 such Act, shall not exceed 25,000 in any fiscal year.

9 **SEC. 7. IMMEDIATE RELATIVES DEFINED.**

10 During the immigration moratorium, the term “im-
11 mediate relatives” for purposes of section 201(b) of the
12 Immigration and Nationality Act means the children and
13 spouse of a citizen of the United States.

14 **SEC. 8. RENUNCIATION OF OTHER CITIZENSHIP FOR NATU-
15 RALIZATION.**

16 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, during
17 the immigration moratorium under section 2, in addition
18 to other applicable requirements under the Immigration
19 and Nationality Act an alien may only be naturalized as
20 a citizen of the United States if the alien renounces any
21 nationality or citizenship of any other country.

22 **SEC. 9. LIMITATION ON AUTOMATIC BIRTHRIGHT CITIZEN-
23 SHIP.**

24 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, with re-
25 spect to an individual born after the date of the enactment
26 of this Act, the individual shall not be a national or citizen

1 at birth under section 301 of the Immigration and Nation-
2 ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1401) unless at least one of the indi-
3 vidual's parents is, at the time of birth, a citizen or na-
4 tional of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted
5 for permanent residence.

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