

115TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 3513

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize admission of Canadian retirees as long-term visitors for pleasure described in section 101(a)(15)(B) of such Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 27, 2017

Ms. Stefanik (for herself, Mr. Deutch, and Mr. Hunter) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 "Canadian Snowbird
- 5 Visa Act".

1 SEC. 2. ADMISSION OF CANADIAN RETIREES.

2	Section 214 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
3	(8 U.S.C. 1184) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
4	lowing:
5	"(s) Canadian Retirees.—
6	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland
7	Security may admit an alien as a visitor described
8	in section 101(a)(15)(B) if the alien demonstrates,
9	to the satisfaction of the Secretary, that the alien—
10	"(A) is a citizen of Canada;
11	"(B) is at least 50 years of age;
12	"(C) maintains a residence in Canada;
13	"(D) owns a residence in the United States
14	or has signed a rental agreement for accom-
15	modations in the United States for the duration
16	of the alien's stay in the United States;
17	"(E) is not inadmissible under section 212;
18	"(F) is not described in any ground of de-
19	portability under section 237;
20	"(G) will not engage in employment or
21	labor for hire in the United States other than
22	employment or labor for hire for a person or
23	entity not based in the United States by whom
24	the Canadian citizen was employed in Canada
25	or for whom the Canadian citizen performed
26	services in Canada; and

- 1 "(H) will not seek any form of assistance 2 or benefit described in section 403(a) of the 3 Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity 4 Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1613(a)).
 - "(2) SPOUSE.—The spouse of an alien described in paragraph (1) may be admitted under the same terms as the principal alien if the spouse satisfies the requirements of paragraph (1), other than subparagraph (D).
 - "(3) IMMIGRANT INTENT.—In determining eligibility for admission under this subsection, maintenance of a residence in the United States shall not be considered evidence of intent by the alien to abandon the alien's residence in Canada.
 - "(4) Period of admission.—During any single 365-day period, an alien may be admitted as a visitor for pleasure described in section 101(a)(15)(B) pursuant to this subsection for a period not to exceed 240 days, beginning on the date of admission. Time spent outside of the United States during such period of admission shall not be counted for purposes of determining the termination date of such period.".

1 SEC. 3. NONRESIDENT ALIEN TAX STATUS.

- 2 Subparagraph (1)(B) of section 7701(b) of the Inter-
- 3 nal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting ", or
- 4 is a Canadian citizen described in section 214(s) of the
- 5 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(s))"
- 6 after "(within the meaning of subparagraph (A))".

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