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To modify the responsibilities of the Coordinator for Afghan Relocation
Efforts, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

A BILL

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Relocation Efforts, and for other purposes.

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 “Enduring Welcome Act
5 of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) The Enduring Welcome program is the
2 safest, most secure legal immigration pathway to the
3 United States.

4 (2) The resettlement of Afghan allies in the
5 Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) and the United States
6 Refugee Admissions Program (USRAP) P1/P2 pipe-
7 lines is critical to upholding United States credibility
8 and incentivizing future support for United States
9 servicemembers.

10 (3) Failing to reunite active-duty United States
11 military personnel and veterans with their Afghan
12 family members in the Afghan relocation pipeline is
13 harmful to the United States servicemember commu-
14 nity.

15 (4) A review conducted by Department of Jus-
16 tice's Office of Inspector General released on June
17 10, 2025, concluded that the process for vetting ap-
18 plicants for Afghan SIVs is rigorous and effective in
19 protecting United States national security.

20 (5) The permanent authorization of the Coordi-
21 nator for Afghan Relocation Efforts (CARE) under
22 section 7810 of the Servicemember Quality of Life
23 Improvement and National Defense Authorization
24 Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159) re-
25 flects a bipartisan commitment to fulfilling wartime

1 promises and ensuring accountability in United
2 States relocation policy.

3 **SEC. 3. OFFICE OF THE COORDINATOR FOR AFGHAN RELO-**
4 **CATION EFFORTS.**

5 Section 7810 of the Servicemember Quality of Life
6 Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for
7 Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a)—

9 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking
10 “OF COORDINATOR”; and

11 (B) in the matter preceding paragraph
12 (1)—

13 (i) by inserting before “The Sec-
14 retary” the following: “The Secretary shall
15 establish an Office of the Coordinator for
16 Afghan Relocation Efforts in the Depart-
17 ment of State.”; and

18 (ii) by inserting before “who shall be
19 responsible for” the following: “who shall
20 be the head of the Office of the Coordi-
21 nator for Afghan Relocation Efforts, and”;

22 (2) by redesignating subsections (c), (d), and
23 (e) as subsections (d), (e), and (f), respectively; and

24 (3) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
25 lowing:

1 “(c) ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Coordi-
2 nator shall be responsible for—

3 “(1) supporting the voluntary departure of cov-
4 ered persons who request assistance departing Af-
5 ghanistan;

6 “(2) leading coordination of interagency efforts
7 relating to vetting, security screening, and case proc-
8 essing of eligible Afghan allies in the Department of
9 State, in coordination with the Department of
10 Homeland Security and the Department of Defense;

11 “(3) facilitating relocation and resettlement lo-
12 gistics in coordination with resettlement support
13 centers and United States-based resettlement agen-
14 cies;

15 “(4) addressing family reunification barriers,
16 including cases involving United States active-duty
17 servicemembers and veterans;

18 “(5) coordinating integration support, including
19 trauma recovery and medical care, with other Fed-
20 eral agencies;

21 “(6) maintaining and analyzing a centralized,
22 secure database of Afghan applicants, beneficiaries,
23 and relocated individuals to inform operations and
24 ensure transparency; and

1 “(7) providing timely information to Congress
2 on the status of Afghan relocation efforts and
3 progress made under this mandate.”.

4 **SEC. 4. COLLECTION OF INFORMATION AND DATABASE.**

5 (a) COLLECTION OF INFORMATION.—The Coordi-
6 nator shall collect information on Afghan applicants, bene-
7 ficiaries, and relocated individuals to inform operations
8 and ensure transparency, including—

9 (1) the number of Afghan nationals pursuing
10 admission to the United States as a special immi-
11 grant under section 602 of the Afghan Allies Protec-
12 tion Act of 2009 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note), as a refugee
13 under section 207 of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1157)
14 (whether as priority one or priority 2), or as a pa-
15 rolee under section 212(d)(5)(A) of such Act (8
16 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)(A)), disaggregated by whether
17 they are in Afghanistan, the United States, or a
18 third country;

19 (2) the number of family reunification cases
20 pending, approved, and completed;

21 (3) the average time between application, vet-
22 ting, relocation, and resettlement;

23 (4) the number of individuals who have been
24 denied or administratively closed out, and the reason
25 for such actions;

1 (5) the number of active-duty United States
2 military and veteran-linked cases involving family
3 separation; and

4 (6) such other information as the Secretary of
5 State or Coordinator for Afghan Relocation Efforts
6 may prescribe.

7 (b) DATABASE.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall
9 establish and maintain a secure, centralized data-
10 base to maintain the information collected pursuant
11 to subsection (a).

12 (2) FORM.—The information in the database
13 established pursuant to this subsection may be in
14 classified form to the extent necessary but such in-
15 formation shall be usable for operational reporting,
16 oversight, coordination across relevant Federal de-
17 partments and agencies, and regular reporting to
18 Congress.

19 (3) REPORT.—Beginning on the date that is 30
20 days after the date on which the database required
21 by this subsection is established, and every 90 days
22 thereafter, the Secretary of State shall submit to the
23 appropriate congressional committees a report on
24 the status of each metric with respect to information
25 that is being collected pursuant to subsection (a).

1 (c) NOTIFICATION.—Beginning on and after the date
2 specified in section 7(a), the Secretary of State shall con-
3 tinue to maintain this database required by this section
4 unless the Secretary, with prior consultation with the ap-
5 propriate congressional committees, provides notification
6 to the appropriate congressional committees that shall in-
7 clude—

8 (1) the number of covered persons with pending
9 relocation cases or appeals before the United States
10 Government; and

11 (2) the estimated population of eligible covered
12 persons which remains to be resettled.

13 **SEC. 5. DEFINITIONS.**

14 In this Act:

15 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
16 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
17 mittees” means—

18 (A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
19 the House of Representatives; and

20 (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
21 the Senate.

22 (2) COORDINATOR.—The term “Coordinator”
23 means the Coordinator for Afghan Relocation Ef-
24 forts appointed pursuant to section 3(a).

1 (3) COVERED PERSON.—The term “covered
2 person” means—

3 (A) a United States citizen;

4 (B) an immediate relative (as such term is
5 described in section 201(b) of the Immigration
6 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151)) with re-
7 spect to whom a petition has been approved and
8 all required documents have been received;

9 (C) an alien who has been admitted to the
10 United States as a lawful permanent resident;

11 (D) a spouse or unmarried child under the
12 age of 21 of an alien described in subparagraph
13 (C) with respect to whom a petition has been
14 approved, all required documents have been re-
15 ceived, and who has a current priority date as
16 of the date on which the individual seeks assist-
17 ance from the Coordinator;

18 (E) a principal applicant for special immi-
19 grant status under section 602 of the Afghan
20 Allies Protection Act of 2009 (8 U.S.C. 1101
21 note);

22 (F) a spouse or unmarried child under the
23 age of 21 of an alien described in subparagraph
24 (E) who has been issued a visa or with respect
25 to whom the Chief of Mission has approved

1 their application, and with respect to whom all
2 documents have been received;

3 (G) an alien who has been approved to be
4 admitted to the United States as a refugee or
5 spouse or unmarried child under the age of 21
6 (as of August 14, 2021) of such an alien; or

7 (H) a spouse or an unmarried child under
8 the age of 21 of an alien admitted to the
9 United States pursuant to the Operations Allies
10 Welcome program (or any successor program);
11 or

12 (I) the primary caregiver of a surviving
13 child described in section 602(b)(2)(C) of the
14 Afghan Allies Protection Act of 2009 (8 U.S.C.
15 1101 note), or a spouse or an unmarried child
16 under the age of 21 of such a primary care-
17 giver.

18 **SEC. 6. SUNSET.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in section
20 4(c), this Act and the authorities provided by this Act
21 shall terminate on the date that is 5 years after the date
22 of the enactment of this Act.

23 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (f) of
24 section 7810 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Im-
25 provement and National Defense Authorization Act for

1 Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159), as redesignated
2 by section 3, is amended by striking “3” and inserting
3 “5”.