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To add the Republic of Korea to the E–3 nonimmigrant visa program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SUOZZI 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. E-3 VISAS FOR REPUBLIC OF KOREA NATION-**
4 **ALS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 101(a)(15)(E)(iii) of the
6 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
7 1101(a)(15)(E)(iii)) is amended by inserting “or, on a
8 basis of reciprocity and pursuant to an agreement as de-
9 termined by the Secretary of State, a national of the Re-
10 public of Korea,” after “Australia”.

1 (b) EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS.—Section 212 of the
2 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182) is
3 amended—

4 (1) by redesignating the second subsection (t)
5 (as added by section 1(b)(2)(B) of Public Law 108–
6 449 (118 Stat. 3470)) as subsection (u); and

7 (2) by adding at the end of subsection (t)(1)
8 (as added by section 402(b)(2) of Public Law 108–
9 77 (117 Stat. 941)) the following:

10 “(E) In the case of an attestation filed
11 with respect to a national of the Republic of
12 Korea described in section 101(a)(15)(E)(iii),
13 the employer is, and will remain during the pe-
14 riod of authorized employment of such Republic
15 of Korea national, a participant in good stand-
16 ing in the E-Verify program described in sec-
17 tion 403(a) of the Illegal Immigration Reform
18 and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (8
19 U.S.C. 1324a note).”.

20 (c) APPLICATION ALLOCATION.—Paragraph (11) of
21 section 214(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
22 U.S.C. 1184(g)(11)) is amended to read as follows:

23 “(11)(A) The Secretary of State may approve
24 initial applications submitted for aliens described in
25 section 101(a)(15)(E)(iii) only as follows:

1 “(i) For applicants who are nationals of
2 the Commonwealth of Australia, not more than
3 10,500 for a fiscal year.

4 “(ii) For applicants who are nationals of
5 the Republic of Korea, not more than a number
6 equal to the difference between 10,500 and the
7 number of applications approved in the prior
8 fiscal year for aliens who are nationals of the
9 Commonwealth of Australia.

10 “(B) The approval of an application described
11 under subparagraph (A)(ii) shall be deemed for nu-
12 merical control purposes to have occurred on Sep-
13 tember 30 of the prior fiscal year.

14 “(C) The numerical limitation under subpara-
15 graph (A) shall only apply to principal aliens and
16 not to the spouses or children of such aliens.”.

17 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This Act shall take effect on
18 the date that is 180 days after the date of enactment of
19 this Act.

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