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To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to ensure the timely completion of all removal proceedings.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. BUDD, and Mrs. MOODY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 “Rapid Expulsion of
5 Migrant Offenders who Violate and Evade (REMOVE)
6 Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. TIMELY REMOVAL OF ALIENS ORDERED REMOVED.**

8 Section 239(d) of the Immigration and Nationality
9 Act (8 U.S.C. 1229(d)) is amended—

1 (1) by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-
2 graph (3); and

3 (2) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the
4 following:

5 “(1) The Attorney General shall commence removal
6 proceedings as promptly as possible after U.S. Immigra-
7 tion and Customs Enforcement files, with the immigration
8 court, a Notice to Appear that has been served on an alien.
9 If such alien was convicted of an offense making the alien
10 deportable under section 237(a), the Attorney General
11 shall commence any removal proceeding with respect to
12 such alien as expeditiously as possible after the date on
13 which such alien was convicted of such offense.

14 “(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in-
15 cluding section 208(d)(5)(A), the Attorney General shall
16 take all actions, including promulgating relevant regula-
17 tions, issuing relevant guidance, and any other relevant
18 actions, to ensure all immigration court proceedings with
19 respect to an alien referred to in paragraph (1) are com-
20 pleted not later than 15 days after they are commenced.”.

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