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S. 3084

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize certain aliens who have earned a master's or higher degree from a United States institution of higher education in a field of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics to be admitted for permanent residence and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 5, 2008

Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. GREGG) 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. UNITED STATES EDUCATED IMMIGRANTS.**

4 (a) ALIENS NOT SUBJECT TO DIRECT NUMERICAL
5 LIMITATIONS.—Section 201(b)(1) of the Immigration and

1 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(b)(1)) is amended by add-
2 ing at the end the following:

3 “(F) Aliens who have earned a master’s or
4 higher degree from a United States institution of
5 higher education (as defined in section 101(a) of the
6 Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a)))
7 in a field of science, technology, engineering, or
8 mathematics and who have an offer of employment
9 from a United States employer in a field related to
10 such degree.”.

11 (b) PROCEDURE FOR GRANTING IMMIGRANT STA-
12 TUS.—Section 204(a)(1)(F) of the Immigration and Na-
13 tionality Act (8 U.S.C. 1154(a)(1)(F)) is amended—

14 (1) by striking “or” after “203(b)(2)”;

15 (2) by inserting “, or 201(b)(1)(F)” after
16 “203(b)(3)”; and

17 (3) by striking “Attorney General” and insert-
18 ing “Secretary of Homeland Security”.

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