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For the relief of Alejandro Gomez and Juan Sebastian Gomez.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. DODD introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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A BILL

For the relief of Alejandro Gomez and Juan Sebastian Gomez.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS FOR ALEJANDRO GOMEZ AND JUAN SEBASTIAN GOMEZ.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b) of section 201 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151) and section 240 of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1229a), Alejandro Gomez and Juan Sebastian Gomez shall each be eligible for issuance of an immigrant visa or for adjustment of status to that of an alien lawfully

admitted for permanent residence upon filing an application for issuance of an immigrant visa under section 204 of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1154) or for adjustment of status to lawful permanent resident.

(b) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.—If Alejandro Gomez or Juan Sebastian Gomez enters the United States before the filing deadline specified in subsection (c), he shall be considered to have entered and remained lawfully in the United States and shall, if otherwise eligible, be eligible for adjustment of status under section 245 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1255) as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION AND PAYMENT OF FEES.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall apply only if the application for issuance of an immigrant visa or the application for adjustment of status is filed with appropriate fees not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(d) REDUCTION OF IMMIGRANT VISA NUMBER.—Upon the granting of an immigrant visa or permanent resident status to Alejandro Gomez and Juan Sebastian Gomez, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper officer to reduce by 2, during the current or next following fiscal year—

(1) the total number of immigrant visas that are made available to natives of the country of the aliens' birth under section 203(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(a)); or

(2) if applicable, the total number of immigrant visas that are made available to natives of the country of the aliens' birth under section 202(e) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(e)).

(e) DENIAL OF PREFERENTIAL IMMIGRATION TREATMENT FOR CERTAIN RELATIVES.—The natural parents, brothers, and sisters of Alejandro Gomez and Juan Sebastian Gomez shall not, by virtue of such relationship, be accorded any right, privilege, or status under the Immigration and Nationality Act.

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