

113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. _____

To provide for a 1-year extension of the Afghan Special Immigrant Visa Program, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. SHAHEEN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Afghan Allies Protec-
5 tion Extension Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION AND EXPANSION OF AFGHAN SPECIAL**
7 **IMMIGRANT VISA PROGRAM.**

8 Section 602(b) of the Afghan Allies Protection Act
9 of 2009 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note) is amended—

10 (1) in paragraph (2)—

1 (A) in subparagraph (A)—

2 (i) by amending clause (ii) to read as
3 follows:

4 “(ii) was or is employed in Afghani-
5 stan on or after October 7, 2001, for not
6 less than 1 year—

7 “(I) by, or on behalf of, the
8 United States Government;

9 “(II) by, or on behalf of, an orga-
10 nization or entity closely associated
11 with the United States mission in Af-
12 ghanistan that has received United
13 States Government funding through
14 an official and documented contract,
15 award, grant, or cooperative agree-
16 ment, including the International Se-
17 curity Assistance Force; or

18 “(III) by, or on behalf of, a
19 media or nongovernmental organiza-
20 tion headquartered in the United
21 States;”;

22 (ii) in clause (iii), by striking “the
23 United States Government” and inserting
24 “an entity or organization described in
25 clause (ii)”; and

1 (iii) in clause (iv), by striking “by the
2 United States Government” and inserting
3 “described in clause (ii)”; and
4 (B) by amending subparagraph (B) to read
5 as follows:

6 “(B) FAMILY MEMBERS.—An alien is de-
7 scribed in this subparagraph if the alien is—

8 “(i) the spouse or minor child of a
9 principal alien described in subparagraph
10 (A) who is accompanying or following to
11 join the principal alien in the United
12 States; or

13 “(ii)(I) the spouse, child, parent, or
14 sibling of a principal alien described in
15 subparagraph (A), whether or not accom-
16 panying or following to join; and

17 “(II) has experienced or is experi-
18 encing an ongoing serious threat as a con-
19 sequence of the qualifying employment of a
20 principal alien described in subparagraph
21 (A).”; and

22 (2) in paragraph (3), by amending subpara-
23 graph (D) to read as follows:

24 “(D) ADDITIONAL FISCAL YEARS.—For
25 each of fiscal years 2014 and 2015, the total

1 number of principal aliens who may be provided
2 special immigrant status under this section may
3 not exceed 3,000 per year, except that—

4 “(i) notwithstanding subparagraph
5 (C), any unused balance of the total num-
6 ber of principal aliens who may be pro-
7 vided special immigrant status in fiscal
8 years 2014 and 2015 may be carried for-
9 ward and provided through December 31,
10 2016;

11 “(ii) the 1-year period during which
12 an alien must have been employed in ac-
13 cordance with paragraph (2)(A)(ii) shall be
14 the period from October 7, 2001 through
15 December 31, 2014; and

16 “(iii) the principal alien seeking spe-
17 cial immigrant status under this subpara-
18 graph shall apply to the Chief of Mission
19 in accordance with paragraph (2)(D) not
20 later than December 31, 2015.”.