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115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. TAKANO introduced the following bill; which was 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 “Second Chance for
5 Service Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ESTABLISHING GOOD MORAL CHARACTER OF AP-**
2 **PPLICANTS FOR CITIZENSHIP WHO SERVED**
3 **HONORABLY IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE**
4 **UNITED STATES.**

5 Section 328(e) of the Immigration and Nationality
6 Act is amended by adding at the end the following: “Not-
7 withstanding section 101(f), a finding that an applicant
8 under this section is described in any of paragraphs (1)
9 through (9) of section 101(f) (except in the case of an
10 applicant who is described in any such paragraph because
11 of having been convicted of an aggravated felony described
12 in subparagraph (A), (I), (K), or (L) of section
13 101(a)(43)) shall not preclude a finding that the applicant
14 is of good moral character. In determining whether the
15 applicant is of good moral character, the applicant’s serv-
16 ice under honorable conditions shall be weighed against
17 any finding that the applicant is described any such para-
18 graph.”.