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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3012
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Page 6, after line 10, add the following:

1 **SEC. 3. RECAPTURING IMMIGRANT VISAS LOST TO BU-**
2 **REAUCRATIC DELAY.**

3 (a) **EMPLOYMENT-BASED IMMIGRANTS.**—Section
4 201(d) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
5 1151(d)) is amended to read as follows:

6 “(d) **WORLDWIDE LEVEL OF EMPLOYMENT-BASED**
7 **IMMIGRANTS.**—

8 “(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The worldwide level of em-
9 ployment-based immigrants under this subsection for
10 a fiscal year is equal to the sum of—

11 “(A) 140,000;

12 “(B) the number computed under para-
13 graph (2); and

14 “(C) the number computed under para-
15 graph (3).

16 “(2) **PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR.**—The number
17 computed under this paragraph for a fiscal year is
18 the difference, if any, between the maximum number
19 of visas which may be issued under section 203(a)
20 (relating to family-sponsored immigrants) during the

1 previous fiscal year and the number of visas issued.
2 under that section during that year.

3 “(3) UNUSED VISAS.—The number computed
4 under this paragraph is the difference, if any, be-
5 tween—

6 “(A) the difference, if any, between—

7 “(i) the sum of the worldwide levels
8 established under paragraph (1) for fiscal
9 years 1992 through 2011; and

10 “(ii) the number of visas actually
11 issued under section 203(b), subject to this
12 subsection, during such fiscal years; and

13 “(B) the number of visas actually issued
14 after fiscal year 2011 pursuant to an immi-
15 grant visa number issued under section 203(b),
16 subject to this subsection, during fiscal years
17 1992 through 2011.”

18 (b) FAMILY-SPONSORED IMMIGRANTS.—Section
19 201(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
20 1151(c)) is amended to read as follows:

21 “(c) WORLDWIDE LEVEL OF FAMILY-SPONSORED
22 IMMIGRANTS.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—

24 “(A) Subject to subparagraph (B), the
25 worldwide level of family-sponsored immigrants

1 under this subsection for a fiscal year is equal
2 to—

3 “(i) 480,000 minus the number com-
4 puted under paragraph (2); plus

5 “(ii) the sum of the number computed
6 under paragraph (3) and the number com-
7 puted under paragraph (4).

8 “(B) In no case shall the number com-
9 puted under subparagraph (A)(i) be less than
10 226,000.

11 “(2) IMMEDIATE RELATIVES.—The number
12 computed under this paragraph for a fiscal year is
13 the number of aliens described in subparagraph (A)
14 or (B) of subsection (b)(2) who were issued immi-
15 grant visas, or who otherwise acquired the status of
16 an alien lawfully admitted to the United States for
17 permanent residence, in the previous fiscal year.

18 “(3) PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR.—The number
19 computed under this paragraph for a fiscal year is
20 the difference, if any, between the maximum number
21 of visas which may be issued under section 203(b)
22 (relating to employment-based immigrants) during
23 the previous fiscal year and the number of visas
24 issued under that section during that year.

1 “(4) UNUSED VISAS.—The number computed
2 under this paragraph is the difference, if any, be-
3 tween—

4 “(A) the difference, if any, between—

5 “(i) the sum of the worldwide levels
6 established under paragraph (1) for fiscal
7 years 1992 through 2011; and

8 “(ii) the number of visas actually
9 issued under section 203(a), subject to this
10 subsection, during such fiscal years; and

11 “(B) the number of visas actually issued
12 after fiscal year 2011 pursuant to an immi-
13 grant visa number issued under section 203(a),
14 subject to this subsection, during fiscal years
15 1992 through 2011.”.

