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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. NORMAN 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—

- 5 (1) the "Reporting Exogenous Participation 6 Among Incoming Researchers in Academia Act"; or 7
 - (2) the "REPAIR Academia Act".

SEC. 2. REPORTING EXCHANGE VISITOR CHANGE IN FIELD OF STUDY.

3 With respect to a principal nonimmigrant exchange visitor admitted into the United States in the J-1 classi-4 5 fication under section 101(a)(15)(J) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(J)) in order 6 7 to study, the Secretary of State shall take such action as 8 may be necessary to ensure that the applicable program 9 sponsor is required to use the Student and Exchange Vis-10 itor Information System to report any change to the non-11 immigrant's primary field of study. In carrying out this section, the Secretary of State shall take into account the 12 13 recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Secretary of Homeland Security with regard to nonimmigrants ad-14 mitted into the United States in the F-1 and M-1 classi-15 fications under subparagraphs (F) and (M) of section 16 101(a)(15) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)). 17

18 SEC. 3. REPORTING CERTAIN RESEARCH PROGRAM PAR-

19 TICIPATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to a principal nonimmigrant admitted into the United States in the J-1 classification under section 101(a)(15)(J) of the Immigration
and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(J)), in the F1 classification under section 101(a)(15)(F) of such Act,
or in the M-1 classification under section 101(a)(15)(M)
of such Act, the Secretary of State and the Secretary of

Homeland Security shall take such action as may be nec-1 2 essary to ensure that the applicable program sponsor or academic or nonacademic institution is required to use the 3 4 Student and Exchange Visitor Information System to re-5 port when the nonimmigrant is participating in a research 6 program funded in whole or in part through a grant, contract, or other similar form of support provided by the 7 8 Federal Government, as well as program identification information. 9

- 10 (b) NOTIFICATIONS.—
- 11 SECRETARY.—In the case of (1)a non-12 immigrant described in subsection (a), the Secretary 13 of Homeland Security shall notify the appropriate 14 program manager at an Executive agency (as de-15 fined in section 105 of title 5, United States Code) 16 if and when the Secretary obtains information that 17 the nonimmigrant is participating in a research pro-18 gram funded in whole or in part through a grant, 19 contract, or other similar form of support provided 20 by such agency prior to the commencement of that 21 nonimmigrant's participation and not later than 21 22 days after authorizing such participation.

23 (2) SPONSOR OR INSTITUTION.—In the case of
24 a nonimmigrant described in subsection (a), the ap25 plicable program sponsor or academic or nonaca-

1 demic institution shall notify the appropriate pro-2 gram manager at an Executive agency (as defined in section 105 of title 5, United States Code) if and 3 4 when the sponsor or institution obtains information that the nonimmigrant is participating in a research 5 6 program funded in whole or in part through a grant, 7 contract, or other similar form of support provided 8 by such agency prior to the commencement of that 9 nonimmigrant's participation and not later than 21 10 days after authorizing such participation.

11SEC. 4. REVIEW AND REVOCATION OF CERTAIN NON-12IMMIGRANT VISAS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland Security shall have the authority to review and revoke a nonimmigrant visa granted under subparagraph (F), (J), or
(M) of section 101(a)(15) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)) if, in consultation with
the Attorney General, the Secretary finds that—

(1) the visa holder has misrepresented his or
her intention to pursue a certain program or field of
study;

(2) following a change to the nonimmigrant's
primary field of study as described under section 2,
that the new primary field of study would have triggered a higher level of scrutiny during the visa ap-

plication process, and that the visa holder poses a
 risk to the homeland security of the United States,
 the national security of the United States, or re search integrity at their applicable program sponsor
 or institution; or

6 (3) the visa holder's enrollment in a research 7 program funded in whole or in part through a grant, 8 contract, or other similar form of support provided 9 by the Federal Government poses a risk to the 10 homeland security of the United States, the national 11 security of the United States, or research integrity 12 at their applicable program sponsor or institution; or 13 (b) NOTICE.—30 days before the commencement of 14 a review under subsection (a), the Secretary of Homeland 15 Security shall provide the applicable program sponsor or institution with a notice containing the specific basis of 16 the forthcoming review. During this 30-day period, the 17 program sponsor or institution may take corrective action 18 to alleviate any concerns raised by the Secretary. At the 19 conclusion of the 30-day period, the Secretary shall deter-20 21 mine whether the program sponsor or institution has satis-22 factorily addressed the concerns or a review remains nec-23 essary.

24 (c) Administrative and Judicial Review.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—There shall be no adminis trative or judicial review of a determination to re voke a visa under this section except in accordance
 with this subsection.

5 (2) Administrative review.—

6 (A) SINGLE LEVEL OF ADMINISTRATIVE
7 APPELLATE REVIEW.—The Secretary of Home8 land Security shall establish an appellate au9 thority to provide for a single level of adminis10 trative appellate review of such a determination.

11 (B) STANDARD FOR REVIEW.—Such ad-12 ministrative appellate review shall be based 13 solely upon the administrative record estab-14 lished at the time of the determination and 15 upon such additional or newly discovered evi-16 dence as may not have been available at the 17 time of the determination.

18 (3) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—

19 (A) LIMITATION TO REVIEW OF RE-20 MOVAL.—There shall be judicial review of a de-21 termination to revoke a visa under this section 22 only in the judicial review of an order of re-23 moval under section 242 of the Immigration 24 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1252).

1 (B) STANDARD FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW.— 2 Such judicial review shall be based solely upon 3 the administrative record established at the 4 time of the review by the appellate authority and the findings of fact and determinations 5 6 contained in such record shall be conclusive un-7 less the applicant can establish abuse of discre-8 tion or that the findings are directly contrary to 9 clear and convincing facts contained in the 10 record considered as a whole.

11 SEC. 5. ANNUAL REPORT.

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland Security shall require the Academic Institutions Subcommittee 13 of the Homeland Security Advisory Council of the Depart-14 15 ment of Homeland Security to provide an annual report to the Committee on the Judiciary, the Committee on 16 Homeland Security, and the Committee on Foreign Af-17 fairs of the House of Representatives, and the Committee 18 19 on the Judiciary, the Committee on Homeland Security 20and Governmental Affairs, and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, on-21

(1) the implementation and execution of any
visa reviews and revocations undertaken under section 4;

1 (2) the number of alien students enrolled at 2 academic or nonacademic institutions in the United 3 States, disaggregated by— 4 (A) program of study; 5 (B) previous and current nationality; and 6 (C) participation in a research program 7 (which may or may not be classified) funded in 8 whole or in part through a grant, contract, or 9 other similar form of support provided by the 10 Federal Government, differentiated by agency, 11 sub-agency, and program; and

(3) the number of alien students who have
changed their field of study, including their original
and subsequent field of study, disaggregated by the
information described in subparagraphs (A), (B),
and (C) of paragraph (2).

(b) APPENDIX.—Each report under subsection (a)
shall include an appendix containing any feedback provided on a voluntary basis by any program sponsor or institution affected by a visa review or revocation undertaken under section 4.