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H. R. 341

To prohibit direct Federal financial benefits and unemployment benefits for illegal aliens.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PACKARD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To prohibit direct Federal financial benefits and unemployment benefits for illegal aliens.

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. PROHIBITION OF DIRECT FEDERAL FINANCIAL**
4 **BENEFITS TO ILLEGAL ALIENS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date of the en-
6 actment of this Act, notwithstanding any other provision
7 of law, no direct Federal financial benefit or social insur-
8 ance benefit may be paid or otherwise given to any person

1 not lawfully present in the United States, except pursuant
2 to a provision of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

3 (b) UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.—No alien who has
4 not been granted employment authorization pursuant to
5 Federal law shall be eligible for unemployment benefits.

6 (c) CONSTRUCTION.—This section shall not apply to
7 the provision of foreign aid to aliens abroad.

8 (d) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the
9 term “person not lawfully within the United States”
10 means any person who at the time the person applies for,
11 receives, or attempts to receive a Federal financial benefit
12 or social insurance benefit is not a United States citizen,
13 a permanent resident alien, an asylee, a refugee, a parolee,
14 or a non-immigrant in status.

15 (e) ADMINISTRATION.—After the date of the enact-
16 ment of this Act, any Federal entity or official involved
17 in making available any Federal financial benefit, social
18 insurance benefit, or unemployment benefit affected by
19 this section shall take reasonable steps to determine
20 whether any person seeking to obtain such a benefit is
21 lawfully present in the United States.

