

114TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 6495

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 8, 2016

Mr. VEASEY (for himself and Mr. CASTRO of Texas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Ensure Access to  
3 DACA Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. EFFECT OF DELAYS IN DACA RENEWAL PROCESS.**

5 In the case of an alien who received a grant of de-  
6 ferred action under the Deferred Action for Childhood Ar-  
7 rivals (“DACA”) program established pursuant to the  
8 memorandum of the Secretary of Homeland Security  
9 dated June 15, 2012, and has submitted a DACA renewal  
10 request during the period beginning 150 days before the  
11 expiration date of their period of deferred action and end-  
12 ing 120 days before such expiration date, the Secretary  
13 of Homeland Security shall provide a temporary, interim  
14 grant of deferred action (and work authorization if the  
15 alien previously had work authorization under DACA) if  
16 there is a delay in reaching a final decision on the renewal  
17 request because of a service disruption, or other technical  
18 problem, that causes adjudications to stop or stall for a  
19 week or longer. The interim renewal shall be effective until  
20 a final decision on the renewal request is made.

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