

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 6976
OFFERED BY M. _____**

Page 1, line 11, strike “Any alien” and insert the following:

1 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Any alien”.

Page 2, line 6, insert after the first period the following:

2 “(ii) PUBLIC INTEREST WAIVER.—
3 The application of clause (i) may be waived
4 in the public interest. In making a deter-
5 mination to issue a waiver under this
6 clause, the following shall be taken into ac-
7 count:

8 “(I) The severity of the acts re-
9 ferred to in clause (i).

10 “(II) If the acts resulted in the
11 harm of any individuals.

12 “(III) If the alien has sought
13 treatment for substance abuse since
14 the acts occurred.

1 “(IV) The alien’s length of stay
2 in the United States at any time prior
3 to the alien seeking admission.

4 “(V) The alien’s ties to the com-
5 munity.

6 “(VI) The length of time between
7 when the acts occurred and when the
8 alien seeks admission.”.

Page 2, line 11, strike “Any alien” and insert the following:

9 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Any alien”.

Page 2, line 20, insert after the first period the following:

10 “(ii) PUBLIC INTEREST WAIVER.—
11 The application of clause (i), may be
12 waived in the public interest. In making a
13 determination to issue a waiver under this
14 clause, the following shall be taken into ac-
15 count:

16 “(I) The severity of the offense
17 referred to in clause (i).

18 “(II) If the offense resulted in
19 the harm of any individuals.

1 “(III) If the alien has sought
2 treatment for substance abuse since
3 the date the alien committed the of-
4 fense.

5 “(IV) The alien’s length of stay
6 in the United States.

7 “(V) The alien’s ties to the com-
8 munity.

9 “(VI) The length of time between
10 when the offense occurred and when
11 removal proceedings began.”.

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