

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H. R. 237, With an Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 237

To authorize the revocation or denial of passports and passport cards to individuals affiliated with foreign terrorist organizations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 9, 2015

Mr. POE of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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 the “FTO Passport Revoca-
5 tion Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. REVOCATION OR DENIAL OF PASSPORTS TO INDIVIDUALS AFFILIATED WITH FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS.**

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4 The Act entitled “An Act to regulate the issue and
5 validity of passports, and for other purposes”, approved
6 July 3, 1926 (22 U.S.C. 211a et seq.), commonly known
7 as the “Passport Act of 1926”, is amended by adding at
8 the end the following:

9 **“SEC. 4. AUTHORITY TO DENY OR REVOKE PASSPORT.**

10 “(a) INELIGIBILITY.—

11 “(1) ISSUANCE.—Except as provided under
12 subsection (b), the Secretary of State may refuse to
13 issue a passport to any individual whom the Secretary
14 has determined has aided, assisted, abetted,
15 or otherwise helped an organization the Secretary
16 has designated as a foreign terrorist organization
17 pursuant to section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality
18 Act (8 U.S.C. 1189).

19 “(2) REVOCATION.—The Secretary of State
20 may revoke a passport previously issued to any individual
21 described in paragraph (1).

22 “(b) REPORT.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary of State
24 refuses to issue or revokes a passport pursuant to
25 subsection (a), the Secretary shall, not later than 30
26 days after such refusal or revocation, submit to the

1 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives and the Committee on Foreign Rela-
3 tions of the Senate a report on such refusal or rev-
4 ocation, as the case may be.

5 “(2) FORM.—The report submitted under para-
6 graph (1) may be submitted in classified or unclassi-
7 fied form.”.