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

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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”.

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

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

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

“(a) Ineligibility.—

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

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

“(b) Report.—

“(1) In general.—If the Secretary of State refuses to issue or revokes a passport pursuant to subsection (a), the Secretary shall, not later than 30 days after such refusal or revocation, submit to the
Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate a report on such refusal or revocation, as the case may be.

“(2) FORM.—The report submitted under paragraph (1) may be submitted in classified or unclassified form.”.