

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5658, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. ISRAEL OF NEW YORK**

At the end of title XII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 12** \_\_\_\_. **EMPLOYMENT FOR RESETTLED IRAQIS.**

2 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 90 days after the  
3 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
4 and the Secretary of State shall jointly establish and oper-  
5 ate a temporary program to offer employment as trans-  
6 lators, interpreters, or cultural awareness instructors to  
7 individuals described in subsection (b).

8 (b) **ELIGIBILITY.**—Individuals referred to in sub-  
9 section (a) are individuals, in the determination of the Sec-  
10 retary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of De-  
11 fense and the Secretary of Homeland Security, who—

12 (1) are Iraqi nationals lawfully present in the  
13 United States; and

14 (2) worked, for at least 12 months since 2003,  
15 as translators in the Republic of Iraq for the United  
16 States Armed Forces or other agency of the United  
17 States Government.

18 (c) **FUNDING.**—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
2 graph (2), the program established under subsection  
3 (a) shall be funded from the annual general oper-  
4 ating budget of the Department of Defense.

5           (2) EXCEPTION.—The Secretary of State shall  
6 reimburse the Department of Defense for any costs  
7 associated with individuals described in subsection  
8 (b) whose work was for the Department of State.

9           (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION REGARDING ACCESS TO  
10 CLASSIFIED INFORMATION.—Nothing in this section may  
11 be construed as affecting in any manner practices and pro-  
12 cedures regarding the handling of or access to classified  
13 information.

14          (e) INFORMATION SHARING.—The Secretary of De-  
15 fense and the Secretary of State shall work with the Sec-  
16 retary of Homeland Security, the Office of Refugee Reset-  
17 tlement of the Department of Health and Human Serv-  
18 ices, and nongovernmental organizations to ensure that  
19 Iraqis resettled in the United States are informed of the  
20 program established under subsection (a).

21          (f) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense, in co-  
22 ordination with the Secretary of State, shall prescribe such  
23 regulations as are necessary to carry out the program es-  
24 tablished under subsection (a), including establishing pay

1 scales and hiring procedures, and determining the number  
2 of positions required to be filled.

3 (g) TERMINATION.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
5 graph (2), the program established under subsection  
6 (a) shall terminate on December 31, 2014.

7 (2) EARLIER TERMINATION.—If the Secretary  
8 of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of  
9 State, determines that the program established  
10 under subsection (a) should terminate before the  
11 date specified in paragraph (1), the Secretaries may  
12 terminate the program if the Secretaries notify Con-  
13 gress in writing of such termination at least 180  
14 days before such termination.

