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| 119TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION | H.R. | |

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

| Ms. | Bonamici | introduced | the | following | bill; | which | was | referred | to | $th\epsilon$ |
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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,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Migrant Due Process
- 5 Protection Act".

| 1 | SEC. 2. RIGHT OF AN ALIEN TO REQUEST VIRTUAL RE- |
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| 2 | MOVAL PROCEEDING. |
| 3 | Section 240(b)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality |
| 4 | Act (8 U.S.C. 1229a(b)(2)) is amended by adding at the |
| 5 | end the following: |
| 6 | "(C) Right to request virtual pro- |
| 7 | CEEDING.—For an alien (except in the case of |
| 8 | an alien who is in the custody of the Secretary) |
| 9 | who requests that the proceeding take place |
| 10 | through video conference or through telephone |
| 11 | conference, the immigration judge shall grant |
| 12 | such request, and shall ensure that there is no |
| 13 | prejudice to the alien during the proceeding.". |