

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to codify the Optional Practical Training program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. LICCARDO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “_____ Act
5 of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. IN GENERAL.**

7 Section 101(a)(15)(F)(i) of the Immigration and Na-
8 tionality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(F)(i)) is amended by
9 inserting after “course of study” the second time it ap-
10 pears the following: “, except that such a course of study

1 may include practical training and employment authoriza-
2 tion under terms and conditions set by the Secretary of
3 Homeland Security as long as such employment is related
4 to the field of study, including after completion of degree
5 requirements, and that such an alien may maintain stu-
6 dent status under this section if the alien is the beneficiary
7 of a pending or approved petition filed pursuant to section
8 204(a)(1) except that as an enrolled student the alien's
9 course of study must be consistent with section 214(m)".