AMENDMENT TO DIVISION E OF RULES
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(Homeland Security Appropriations Division)

Page 683, after line 20, insert the following:

SEC. 535. (a) For fiscal year 2021, immigrant visas under section 203(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(b)) shall be made available without respect to the numerical limitations described in section 202(a)(2) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1152(a)(2)) as follows:

(1) 85 percent of such visas shall be allocated to immigrants who are natives of the two foreign states or dependent areas with the highest demand for immigrant visas, except that not more than 85 percent of such visas may be allocated to immigrants who are native to any single foreign state or dependent area.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), 15 percent of such visas shall be allocated to immigrants who are natives of foreign states or dependent areas that are not one of the two foreign states or dependent areas with the highest demand for immigrant visas, except that not more than 25 percent (in the case of a sin-
gle foreign state) or 2 percent (in the case of a dependent area) of such visas may be allocated to immigrants who are native to any single foreign state or dependent area.

(3) If, at the end of the third quarter of fiscal year 2021, the Secretary of State determines that the application of paragraph (2) would result in visas going unused in that fiscal year, such visas may be allocated during the remainder of such fiscal year without regard to paragraph (2).

(4) The two foreign states or dependent areas with the highest demand for immigrant visas, as referred to in this subsection, are the two foreign states or dependent areas with the largest aggregate number of petitions for an immigrant visa under section 203(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(b)) that have been approved, but where an immigrant visa is not yet available.

(b) For fiscal year 2021, immigrant visas under section 203(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(a)) shall be made available consistent with section 202(a)(2) of such Act, except that the term “7 percent” under such section 202(a)(2) shall be deemed to read “15 percent”. 