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To provide for the confidentiality of information submitted in requests for deferred action under the deferred action for childhood arrivals program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 18, 2021

Mrs. Torres of California (for herself, Ms. Escobar, Ms. Schakowsky, Mr. Espaillat, Ms. Norton, Ms. Lee of California, Mr. Hastings, Mr. Vargas, Ms. Titus, Ms. Omar, Mrs. Watson Coleman, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Cárdenas, Mr. Gallego, and Mr. Soto) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 "Protect DREAMer
- 5 Confidentiality Act of 2021".
- 6 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.
- 7 In this Act:

- 1 (1) DACA PROGRAM.—The term "DACA program" means the deferred action for childhood arrivals program described in the memorandum of the Department of Homeland Security entitled "Exercising Prosecutorial Discretion with Respect to Individuals Who Came to the United States as Children" issued on June 15, 2012.
- 8 (2) Individual application information.—
 9 The term "individual application information"
 10 means any information, including personally identifi11 able information, submitted to the Secretary after
 12 June 15, 2012, as part of a request for consider13 ation or reconsideration for the DACA program.
- (3) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means
 the Secretary of Homeland Security.

16 SEC. 3. CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION SUBMITTED

17 FOR DACA PROGRAM.

- 18 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall protect indi-
- 19 vidual application information from disclosure to U.S. Im-
- 20 migration and Customs Enforcement or U.S. Customs and
- 21 Border Protection for any purpose other than the imple-
- 22 mentation of the DACA program.
- 23 (b) Referrals Prohibited.—The Secretary may
- 24 not refer to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement,
- 25 U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the Department of

- 1 Justice, or any other law enforcement agency any indi-
- 2 vidual the case of whom has been deferred pursuant to
- 3 the DACA program.
- 4 (c) LIMITED EXCEPTION.—Individual application in-
- 5 formation may be shared with national security and law
- 6 enforcement agencies—
- 7 (1) to identify or prevent fraudulent claims;
- 8 (2) for particularized national security purposes
- 9 relating to an individual application; and
- 10 (3) for the investigation or prosecution of any
- felony not related to immigration status.

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