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The House Judiciary Committee approved a measure intended to speed the naturalization process for <u>noncitizens</u> in the military.

The <u>bill</u>, which will be presented to the House in coming weeks, would allow immigrant <u>soldiers</u> to apply for citizenship after serving one year in the armed forces. The current waiting period is three years. Supporters said the legislation would reward immigrant <u>soldiers</u>. Others warned that the <u>bill</u> would not prevent the deportation of the <u>soldiers</u>' parents. Rachel L. Swarns (NYT)

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