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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 24 (legislative day, JANUARY 15), 1947

MR. VANDENBERG introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

MARCH 15, 1948

Reported by Mr. WILEY, without amendment

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**A BILL**

For the relief of Gentaro Takahashi.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 That in the administration of the immigration and natural-  
4 ization laws, the Attorney General is authorized and directed  
5 to record Gentaro Takahashi as having entered the United  
6 States on July 13, 1927, for permanent residence. The  
7 said Gentaro Takahashi shall not be subject to deportation  
8 by reason of such entry.

9 SEC. 2. The Attorney General is authorized and directed  
10 to cancel any warrants of arrest or orders of deportation  
11 which may have been issued, and to discontinue any depor-  
12 tation proceedings which may have been commenced, in  
13 the case of said Gentaro Takahashi.

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## GENTARO TAKAHASHI

APRIL 8, 1948.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed

Mr. FELLOWS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

## REPORT

[To accompany S. 329]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill (S. 329) for the relief of Gentaro Takahashi, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

## PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The sole purpose of the bill is to grant the status of permanent residence to Gentaro Takahashi as of July 13, 1927.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The pertinent facts in this case are set forth in a letter from the Acting Attorney General to the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate, dated March 18, 1947, which letter reads as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
 OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
 Washington, D. C., March 18, 1947.

HON. ALEXANDER WILEY,  
 Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,  
 United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

MY DEAR SENATOR: This is in response to your request for my views concerning the bill (S. 329) for the relief of Gentaro Takahashi.

This bill would authorize the Attorney General to cancel deportation proceedings against Gentaro Takahashi and would provide that he shall be deemed to have entered the United States for permanent residence on July 13, 1927.

The files of this Department disclose that Takahashi is a native and citizen of Japan, having been born in that country on January 11, 1888. He was first admitted to the United States for permanent residence in 1907. In 1926 he

returned to Japan, where he married a Japanese woman and reentered the United States at the port of Seattle, Wash., on July 13, 1927, as a treaty merchant. With the exception of his few months' absence in Japan, he has resided in the United States for approximately 40 years, or since he was 19 years of age. He was engaged in the mercantile business for a number of years, until 1933, when he discontinued his merchant status and went into the real-estate and insurance business. He thus became deportable for having terminated the status under which he was admitted. Mr. and Mrs. Takahashi have six native-born United States citizen children.

This alien appears to be quite well educated, having attended grammar school and high school in Japan and having received college degrees from both Boston University and the University of Detroit in this country. There is no record of law violations on his part. During the war the family was detained at the Minidoka War Relocation Center at Hunt, Idaho, but they have now removed to Highland Park, Mich., where the alien has purchased a home for his family.

Although deportation proceedings are now pending, the Immigration and Naturalization Service has not as yet directed the alien's deportation but has given him additional time within which to depart from the United States.

Whether this measure should be enacted involves a question of legislative policy concerning which I prefer not to make any suggestions.

I have been advised by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget that there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely yours,

DOUGLAS W. MCGREGOR,  
Acting Attorney General.

REPORT

[To accompany S. 350]

The Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the bill (S. 350) for the relief of Gentaro Takahashi, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The sole purpose of the bill is to grant the status of permanent residence to Gentaro Takahashi as of July 18, 1927.

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Department of Justice  
Office of the Attorney General  
Washington, D. C., March 18, 1947.

Hon. Alexander Wiley,  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,  
United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

My Dear Senator: This is in response to your request for my views concerning the bill (S. 350) for the relief of Gentaro Takahashi.

The bill would authorize the Attorney General to cancel deportation proceedings against Gentaro Takahashi. It is noted that he has been admitted to the United States in 1927. In 1939 he was first admitted to the United States in 1907. In 1929 he

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