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Will the Long-Awaited Proposed Legislation on Providing Green Card/Permanent Imigration Status to, & Uniting Families from Abroad Finally Becomes Law?

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An important proposed legislation that seeks to promote timely unification of, and legal permanent residence status (also known as green card) to relatives abroad with their families in the U.S. has been reintroduced to the U.S. Senate. The Uniting American Families Act would help legal immigrants unite with and confer legal permanent residence (green card) status to their families from abroad and end the decade-long waiting periods for legal immigrant visas by, among other things, recapturing unused immigrant visas and eliminating the tragically long family immigration backlogs. The U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary has scheduled a hearing on "The Uniting American Families Act: Addressing Inequality in Federal Immigration Law" on June 3, 2009.

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