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Bender’s Immigration Regulations Service

Publication 695 Release 238 July 2018

HIGHLIGHTS

REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS

- Release 238 of Bender’s Immigration Regulations Services includes regulatory changes published in the Federal Register through May 1, 2018.
- See below for details of what is included.

Extension of Employment Authorization for Syrian F-1 Nonimmigrant Students Experiencing Severe Economic Hardship as a Direct Result of Civil Unrest in Syria Since March 2011. A notice published by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) at FR 11553, Mar. 15, 2018, extended the employment authorization for Syrian F-1 nonimmigrant students for 18 months, from March 31, 2018 until September 30, 2019. Notation has been added to the footnote at 8 CFR 214.2(f)(9).

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Civil Monetary Penalty Adjustments for Inflation. A final DHS rule published at 83 FR 13826, April 2, 2018, amended 8 CFR §§ 270.3(b)(1)(ii)(A) through (D), 274a.8(b), 274a.10(b)(1)(ii)(A) through (C), and (b)(2), and 280.53(b)(1) through (15) to make the 2018 annual inflation adjustment to civil monetary penalties, pursuant to the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW

Expanding the Size of the Board of Immigration Appeals. A final rule published by EOIR at 83 FR 8321, Feb. 27, 2018, adopted as final the interim rule published at 80 FR 31461, June 3, 2015. In doing so, however, the final rule made a change to the interim rule by expanding the size of the Board of Immigration Appeals from 17 members to 21 members.

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DOS REGULATIONS

Passports: Service Passports. A final rule of DOS published at 83 FR 4143, Jan. 30, 2018, adopted as final without change the interim final rule published at 81 FR 67156, Sept. 30, 2016, that established a new service passport, which may be approved for certain non-personal services contractors who travel abroad in support of and pursuant to a contract with the U.S. government. Federal Register citation information has been added to the histories of the affected sections, viz., 22 CFR §§ 51.1, 51.3, and 51.4.

Schedule of Fees for Consular Services. This release includes amendments made by two DOS final rules regarding the Schedule of Fees for Consular Services:

- DOS final rule published at 83 FR 4423, Jan. 31, 2018 (eff. April 2, 2018) adopted as final without change the DOS interim rule pub-

lished at 80 FR 53704, Sept. 8, 2015, which amended the fees at 22 § CFR 22.1, Item 2(a), (b), and (g), and Item 8.

- DOS final rule published at 83 FR 4425, Jan. 31, 2018 (eff. April 2, 2018) amended 22 CFR § 22.1, Schedule of Fees, to raise the execution fee for passport books and cards from \$25 to \$35.

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