

SEC. \_\_\_\_ (a) Subparagraph (C) of section 502(a)(2) of Public Law 105-119 (111 Stat. 2511) is amended to read as follows:

"(C) subsection (a)(11) of such section 504 shall not be construed to prohibit a recipient from providing related legal assistance to-

(i) an alien who has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty or a victim of sexual assault or trafficking in the United States, or qualifies for immigration relief under section 101(a)(15)(U) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(U)); or

(ii) an alien whose child has been (without the active participation of the alien) battered or subjected to extreme cruelty or a victim of sexual assault or trafficking in the United States, or qualifies for immigration relief under section 101(a)(15)(U) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(U)).

(b) Paragraph (2) of section 502(b) of Public Law 105-119 (111 Stat. 2511) is amended to read as follows:

(2) The term 'related legal assistance' means legal assistance directly related to the prevention of, or obtaining relief from, the battery or cruelty, sexual assault or trafficking, or the crimes listed in section 101(a)(15)(U)(iii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(U)(iii)) that gave rise to the circumstance qualifying the alien under subsection (a)(2)(C) for that assistance.

(c) Nothing in this Act, or the amendments made by this Act, shall be construed to restrict the legal assistance provided to victims of severe forms of trafficking and certain eligible family members pursuant to section 107(b)(1) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (114 STAT. 1464).

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**EXPLANATION:** This section permits programs funded by the Legal Services Corporation to use either Corporation funds or funds derived from a source other than the Corporation to provide legal assistance to immigrant victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, or trafficking, consistent with the Violence Against Women Act and the Trafficking Victims Protection Act.