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House OKs Bill

## On Adoption of Alien Children

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Legislation that would facilitate the adoption of Vietnamese children as well as other children of foreign nationality was passed by the House yesterday.

The measure, sent to the Senate by voice vote, would grant to alien children adopted by single U.S. citizens the preferential immigration status that is now limited to those adopted by a couple.

Relatively few adoptive Vietnamese orphans can meet the present requirements for immigration preference unless they are adopted by a couple, the State Department said.

The bill would not affect state laws on adoption, sponsors said.

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