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1 Purpose: To create a point of order against the consideration of any legislation that increases
2 employment-based visas until the United States' labor market stabilizes and unemployment
3 levels reach pre-pandemic levels, ensuring that Congress prioritizes the needs of American
4 workers who have lost their jobs due to the pandemic.
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14 **AMENDMENT INTENDED TO BE PROPOSED BY MR. CRUZ**

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16 At the appropriate place in title IV, insert the following:

17 **SEC. 4 ____ . POINT OF ORDER AGAINST LEGISLATION**
18 **THAT INCREASES THE NUMBER OF VISAS AVAILABLE**
19 **FOR FOREIGN WORKERS WHILE AMERICAN**
20 **UNEMPLOYMENT REMAINS HIGH.**

21 (a) Point of Order.—It shall not be in order in the Senate to consider any bill, joint resolution,
22 motion, amendment, amendment between the Houses, or conference report that increases, or has
23 the effect of increasing, the number of foreign workers in the United States by raising the
24 number of authorized employment-based immigrant or nonimmigrant visas or by increasing the
25 number of lawful permanent residents until the United States reaches a seasonally adjusted
26 unemployment rate of 3.5 percent, which was the rate on February 1, 2020 - shortly before the
27 COVID-19 pandemic caused an economic crisis, resulting in significant American job losses.

28 (b) Waiver and Appeal.—Subsection (a) may be waived or suspended in the Senate only by an
29 affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn. An affirmative vote of
30 three-fifths of the Members of the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required to sustain an
31 appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised under subsection (a).