

In addition to my previous comment, I would like to add that I believe legal permanent residents should be afforded the same status in the rule as US Citizens. Unfortunately, they are currently lumped under the term "alien", which is applied to all non US citizens. I am a Permanent Resident (since 1999) and had to go through a 3-year process including background checks and fingerprinting just to be issued with the "green card". Surely, if I was a security threat, I would never have been given Permanent Resident status in the first place.

I strongly support the United States, and pay my taxes. Why should I be treated any differently than a US Citizen under the terms of this rule.

As well as being a Commercial-Rated Pilot, I am also a CFI. This rule would severely impact me on both fronts. Under the current wording, I would not only be required to undergo background checks every time that I require a Flight Review, but I would also have to go through the process if I simply wanted to add an Instrument Rating to my Instructor Certificate.