

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to provide compensation authority for certain career appointees, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M. _____ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to provide compensation authority for certain career appointees, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “NRC Staff Pay Align-
5 ment Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. COMPENSATION AUTHORITY FOR CAREER AP-**
2 **POINTEES.**

3 Section 161B of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42
4 U.S.C. 2201b) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsections (d) through (h)
6 as subsections (e) through (i), respectively;

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(d) COMPENSATION AUTHORITY FOR CAREER AP-
10 POINTEES.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
12 provision of law, the Chairman may fix the com-
13 pensation of a career appointee at an annual rate of
14 basic pay that is not greater than **[110]** percent of
15 the maximum annual rate of basic pay for Senior
16 Executive Service positions within the Commission
17 established under section 5382 of title 5, United
18 States Code.

19 “(2) APPLICABILITY.—The authority to fix the
20 compensation of a career appointee under paragraph
21 (1) shall apply regardless of when the career ap-
22 pointee was appointed.

23 “(3) CAREER APPOINTEE DEFINED.—In this
24 subsection, the term ‘career appointee’ has the
25 meaning given such term in section 3132(a) of title
26 5, United States Code.”;

1 (3) in subsection (g) (as so redesignated), in
2 paragraph (2)(C)—

3 (A) in clause (ii)—

4 (i) in each of subclauses (I) and (III),
5 by striking “subsection (g)(1)” each place
6 it appears and inserting “subsection
7 (h)(1)”; and

8 (ii) in each of subclauses (II) and
9 (IV), by striking “subsection (g)(2)” each
10 place it appears and inserting “subsection
11 (h)(2)”;

12 (B) in clause (iv), by striking “and” at the
13 end;

14 (C) by redesignating clause (v) as clause
15 (vi); and

16 (D) by inserting after clause (iv) the fol-
17 lowing:

18 “(v) the total number of career ap-
19 pointees that have their compensation fixed
20 pursuant to subsection (d); and”;

21 (4) in subsection (i) (as so redesignated)—

22 (A) in each of paragraphs (1) and (3), by
23 striking “subsections (a) and (b)” each place it
24 appears and inserting “subsections (a), (b), and
25 (d)”;

1 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “or both
2 subsections” and inserting “subsection (d), or
3 any combination of those subsections”; and

4 (C) in paragraph (3)—

5 (i) by inserting “, or a career ap-
6 pointee,” after “compensation of an em-
7 ployee or other personnel serving in a cov-
8 ered position”; and

9 (ii) by striking “subsection (a) or (b)”
10 and inserting “subsection (a), (b), or (d)”.