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H. R. 2876

To promote and support management reorganization of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Brown of California introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology and Post Office and Civil Service

A BILL

To promote and support management reorganization of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

- 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 "National Aeronautics
- 5 and Space Administration Management Reorganization
- 6 Act of 1993".
- 7 SEC. 2. SEPARATION PAY.
- 8 (a) For the purpose of this section—

(1) the term "Administrator" means the Ad-1 2 ministrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and 3 (2) the term "employee" means an employee of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration 6 serving under an appointment without time limita-7 tion, who has been currently employed for a continuous period of at least 12 months, except that such 8 term does not include— 9 (A) a reemployed annuitant under sub-10 chapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of title 11 5, United States Code, or another retirement 12 system for employees of the Government; or 13 14 (B) an employee having a disability on the basis of which such employee is or would be eli-15 gible for disability retirement under any of the 16 17 retirement systems referred to in subparagraph 18 (A). 19 (b) In order to avoid or minimize the need for involuntary separations due to a reduction in force, installation 20 closure, reorganization, transfer of function, or other simi-21 lar action affecting the National Aeronautics and Space

Administration, the Administrator shall establish a pro-

gram under which separation pay may be offered to en-

1	courage eligible employees to separate from service volun-
2	tarily (whether by retirement or resignation).
3	(c) Under the program, separation pay may be
4	offered only—
5	(1) with the prior written consent of the Ad-
6	ministrator; and
7	(2) to employees within such occupational
8	groups or geographic locations, or subject to such
9	other similar limitations or conditions, as the Ad-
10	ministrator may require.
11	(d) Such separation pay—
12	(1) shall be paid in a lump sum; and
13	(2) shall be equal to the lesser of—
14	(A) an amount equal to the amount the
15	employee would be entitled to receive under sec-
16	tion 5595(c) of title 5, United States Code, if
17	the employee were entitled to payment under
18	such section; or
19	(B) \$25,000;
20	(3) shall not be a basis for payment, and shall
21	not be included in the computation, of any other
22	type of Government benefit; and
23	(4) shall not be taken into account for purposes
24	of determining the amount of any severance pay to
25	which an individual may be entitled under section

- 1 5595 of title 5, United States Code, based on any
- 2 other separation.
- 3 (e)(1) No amount shall be payable under this section
- 4 based on any separation occurring after September 30,
- 5 1995.
- 6 (2) No amount shall be payable under this section
- 7 for any member in the Senior Executive Service based on
- 8 any separation occurring after September 30, 1993.
- 9 (f) An employee who receives separation pay under
- 10 such program may not be reemployed by the National Aer-
- 11 onautics and Space Administration for the 12-month pe-
- 12 riod beginning on the effective date of the employee's sepa-
- 13 ration, unless the employee agrees to repay to the United
- 14 States an amount equal to such separation pay multiplied
- 15 by the proportion of such 12-month period during which
- 16 the employee will be so reemployed.
- 17 (g) The Administrator shall prescribe such regula-
- 18 tions as may be necessary to carry out this section.
- 19 SEC. 3. AMOUNTS TO REMAIN AVAILABLE.
- Amounts appropriated after August 1, 1993, for car-
- 21 rying out this Act shall be from sums otherwise authorized
- 22 to be appropriated for research and program management
- 23 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration,
- 24 and may remain available until expended.