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H. R. 4127

To require the Secretary of the Treasury to biannually pay to State and local governments compensation for direct costs incurred by those governments in complying with Federal mandates.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 24, 1994

Mr. BARCA of Wisconsin (for himself, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. THOMAS of Wyoming, Mr. CONDIT, and Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Operations

A BILL

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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 “Federal Mandate
5 Compensation Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT TO BIANNUALLY PAY COMPENSA-**
2 **TION FOR COSTS INCURRED BY STATE AND**
3 **LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN COMPLYING WITH**
4 **FEDERAL MANDATES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treasury
6 shall biannually—

7 (1) determine the costs incurred in the preced-
8 ing 6 months by each State government and each
9 local government as a direct result of complying with
10 Federal mandates; and

11 (2) pay to each State government and each
12 local government an amount adequate to compensate
13 the government for the portion of the costs deter-
14 mined under paragraph (1) for the government for
15 which the government is not otherwise compensated
16 by the Federal Government.

17 (b) FEDERAL MANDATE DEFINED.—In this Act, the
18 term “Federal mandate” means any requirement that a
19 State government or local government conduct an activity
20 (including a requirement to meet national standards in
21 providing a service), under a Federal statute or regulation
22 that takes effect on or after the date of the enactment
23 of this Act.

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