

103<sup>D</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 572

For the relief of Melissa Johnson.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 25, 1993

Mr. FISH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee  
on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

For the relief of Melissa Johnson.

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. PAYMENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF CLAIMANT.**

4 The Secretary of the Treasury shall pay, out of any  
5 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,  
6 \$125,000 to Melissa Johnson of Barryville, New York.  
7 Such sum shall be in full and complete settlement of all  
8 claims against the United States arising out of the per-  
9 sonal injuries and mental pain and suffering incurred as  
10 a result of the sexual assault and molestation of Melissa  
11 Johnson by an employee of the United States Postal Serv-  
12 ice on June 3, 1982, and various other dates.

1 **SEC. 2. DEPOSIT OF AMOUNT IN TRUST ACCOUNTS.**

2 Barbara Johnson Lizzi of Barryville, New York, the  
3 mother of Melissa Johnson, shall deposit the sum paid  
4 under section 1 in a federally insured depository institu-  
5 tion in an interest bearing account or accounts in trust  
6 for Melissa Johnson. Barbara Johnson Lizzi shall serve  
7 as sole trustee of such account or accounts and, as such  
8 trustee—

9 (1) shall pay those debts and obligations which  
10 are outstanding at the time the sum is paid under  
11 section 1 to the extent those debts and obligations  
12 arise from the injuries and pain and suffering de-  
13 scribed in section 1;

14 (2) shall, until Melissa Johnson reaches the age  
15 of majority under the laws of the State in which Me-  
16 lissa Johnson is residing at the time, pay, from the  
17 amounts in the trust account or accounts, expenses  
18 incurred for Melissa Johnson's medical care and  
19 education; and

20 (3) shall, when Melissa Johnson reaches the age  
21 of majority under the laws of the State in which Me-  
22 lissa Johnson is residing at the time, pay to Melissa  
23 Johnson all amounts remaining in the trust account  
24 or accounts.

1 **SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON ATTORNEYS' FEES.**

2 Not more than 10 percent of the amount appro-  
3 priated by section 1 may be paid or delivered to or received  
4 by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered  
5 in connection with the claim described in section 1, not-  
6 withstanding any contract which provides otherwise. Any  
7 person who violates the provisions of this section shall be  
8 guilty of an infraction and shall be subject to a fine in  
9 the amount provided in title 18, United States Code.

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