104TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 2912

To amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to require a 33 percent reduction in certain assistance to a State under such title unless public safety officers who retire as a result of injuries sustained in the line of duty continue to receive health insurance benefits.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 31, 1996

Mr. Deutsch (for himself, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Heineman, Mr. Lipinski, and Mr. Frost) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 "Alu-O'Hara Public Safety
- 5 Officers Health Benefits Act".

1 SEC. 2. PROTECTION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS.

- 2 Part L of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and
- 3 Safe Streets Act of 1968 is amended by adding at the
- 4 end the following:

5 "SEC. 1204A. PROTECTION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS.

- 6 "A grant made under this title that would otherwise
- 7 be made available to a State shall be reduced by 33 per-
- 8 cent unless a public safety officer who retires or is sepa-
- 9 rated from service due to an injury suffered as the direct
- 10 and proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the
- 11 line of duty (during an emergency situation, the investiga-
- 12 tion of a criminal act, or a hot pursuit as such terms are
- 13 defined by State law) continues after such injury to receive
- 14 the same or better level of health insurance benefits that
- 15 are paid at the time of such injuries by the State or unit
- 16 of local government within the State that employed such
- 17 officer.".

18 SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- 19 The amendment made by this Act shall take effect
- 20 beginning on October 1 of the first fiscal year beginning
- 21 after the last day of the 2-year period beginning on the
- 22 date on the enactment of this Act.