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For the relief of the survivors of the 14 members of the Armed Forces and the one United States civilian Federal employee who were killed on April 14, 1994, when United States fighter aircraft mistakenly shot down 2 helicopters in Iraq.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. COLLINS (for himself, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. DIXON, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, and Mr. HOLDEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

For the relief of the survivors of the 14 members of the Armed Forces and the one United States civilian Federal employee who were killed on April 14, 1994, when United States fighter aircraft mistakenly shot down 2 helicopters in Iraq.

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.**

4 (a) PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary of
5 the Treasury shall pay, out of funds not otherwise appro-
6 priated, \$100,000 to the survivor, or collectively the sur-
7 vivors, of each of the 14 members of the Armed Forces

1 and the one United States civilian Federal employee who
2 were killed on April 14, 1994, when United States F-15
3 fighter aircraft mistakenly shot down two UH-60 Black
4 Hawk helicopters in Iraq.

5 (b) SURVIVOR STATUS.—For the purposes of this
6 Act—

7 (1) a survivor of a member of the Armed
8 Forces described in subsection (a) who was insured
9 by a Serviceman’s Group Life Insurance policy
10 (issued under chapter 19 of title 38, United States
11 Code) is a person designated as a beneficiary on
12 such policy; and

13 (2) a survivor of—

14 (A) the United States civilian Federal em-
15 ployee described in subsection (a); and

16 (B) a member of the Armed Forces de-
17 scribed in subsection (a) who was not insured
18 by a Serviceman’s Group Life Insurance policy
19 (issued under chapter 19 of title 38, United
20 States Code),

21 is a person determined to be a survivor by the Sec-
22 retary of the Treasury using the provisions of sec-
23 tion 5582(b) of title 5, United States Code.

1 **SEC. 2. MAXIMUM PAYMENT.**

2 Not more than a total of \$1,500,000 shall be paid
3 to survivors under section 1.

4 **SEC. 3. ATTORNEY FEES.**

5 Notwithstanding any contract, no representative of a
6 survivor may receive more than 10 percent of a payment
7 made under section 1 for services rendered in connection
8 with the survivor's claim for such payment. Any person
9 who violates this section shall be guilty of an infraction
10 and shall be subject to a fine in the amount provided in
11 title 18, United States Code.

12 **SEC. 4. REPORT.**

13 Not later than 6 months after the date of the enact-
14 ment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall
15 transmit a report to the Congress describing the payments
16 made under section 1.

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