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H. R. 4404

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 9, 2000

Mr. HANSEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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,*

1 SECTION 1. MEDICAL PAYMENTS.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e) of the Policemen
3 and Firemen’s Retirement and Disability Act (39 Stat.
4 718, as amended by 71 Stat. 394) is amended by adding
5 at the end the following new sentence: “Notwithstanding
6 the previous sentence, in the case of any member of the
7 United States Park Police, payment shall be made by the
8 National Park Service upon a certificate of the Chief,
9 United States Park Police, setting forth the necessity for
10 such services or treatment and the nature of the injury
11 or disease which rendered the same necessary.”.

12 (b) NATIONAL PARK SERVICE REIMBURSEMENT.—
13 Section 6 of the Policemen and Firemen’s Retirement and
14 Disability Act Amendments of 1957 (71 Stat. 399) is
15 amended by inserting after the first sentence the following
16 new sentence: “Such sums are authorized to be appro-
17 priated to reimburse the National Park Service, on a
18 monthly basis, for medical benefit payments made from
19 funds appropriated to the National Park Service in the
20 case of any member of the United States Park Police.”.

21 SEC. 2. INDEMNIFICATION.

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 10(c) of the Act of August
23 18, 1970 (Public Law 91–383; 16 U.S.C. 1a–6(c)), is
24 amended—

- 25 (1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph
26 (2);

1 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as
2 paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively; and

3 (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
4 lowing:

5 “(3) waive, in any agreement pursuant to para-
6 graphs (1) and (2) with any State or political sub-
7 division thereof where State law requires such waiver
8 and indemnification, any and all claims against all
9 the other parties thereto and, subject to available
10 appropriations, indemnify and save harmless the
11 other parties to such agreement from all claims by
12 third parties for property damage or personal injury,
13 which may arise out of the State or political subdivi-
14 sion’s activities outside their respective jurisdictions
15 under such agreement; and”.

16 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Paragraph (5) of
17 section 10(c) the Act of August 18, 1970 (Public Law 91–
18 383; 16 U.S.C. 1a–6(c)) (as redesignated by section 201),
19 is further amended—

20 (1) by striking “(5) the” and inserting “The”;
21 and

22 (2) by moving the text flush and 2 ems to the
23 left.

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