H. R. 858

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 25, 1999

Mr. Davis of Virginia (for himself, Mr. Moran of Virginia, Ms. Norton, and Mrs. Morella) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

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 "District of Columbia
- 5 Court Employees Whistleblower Protection Act of 1999".

- 1 SEC. 2. WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION FOR PERSONNEL
- 2 OF THE COURTS OF THE DISTRICT OF CO-
- 3 LUMBIA.
- 4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 17 of
- 5 title 11, District of Columbia Code, is amended by adding
- 6 at the end the following new section:
- 7 "§ 11-1733. Whistleblower protection for court per-
- 8 sonnel
- 9 "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, section
- 10 1503 of the District of Columbia Comprehensive Merit
- 11 Personnel Act of 1978 (DC Code, sec. 1–616.3) shall
- 12 apply to court personnel, except that court personnel may
- 13 institute a civil action pursuant to subsection (c) of such
- 14 section in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia
- 15 or the United States District Court for the District of Co-
- 16 lumbia.".
- 17 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
- 18 for subchapter II of chapter 17 of title 11, District of Co-
- 19 lumbia Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-
- 20 ing new item:

"11–1733. Whistleblower protection for court personnel.".

- 21 SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.
- The amendments made by section 2 shall take effect
- 23 as if included in the enactment of title XI of the Balanced
- 24 Budget Act of 1997.