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H. R. 2537

To provide for the appointment of an Assistant United States Attorney for each judicial district for the purpose of prosecuting firearms offenses.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 17, 2001

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. WU, Ms. HART, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. MOORE, Mr. WEINER, and Mr. UDALL of Colorado) 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 the “Gun Crime Prosecu-
5 tion Act of 2001”.

1 **SEC. 2. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT UNITED STATES AT-**
2 **TORNEYS TO PROSECUTE FIREARMS OF-**
3 **FENSES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The United States Attorney for
5 each judicial district shall—

6 (1) appoint 1 Assistant United States Attorney
7 in addition to any other Assistant United States At-
8 torneys appointed for the judicial district;

9 (2) assign the additional Assistant United
10 States Attorney responsibility for prosecuting only
11 offenses under chapter 44 of title 18, United States
12 Code, and any other offense under Federal law in-
13 volving firearms or ammunition; and

14 (3) require the additional Assistant United
15 States Attorney in the prosecution of such offenses,
16 to give priority to—

17 (A) crimes of violence (as defined in sec-
18 tion 16 of such title) committed by individuals
19 who have previously been convicted of such a
20 crime; and

21 (B) offenses by individuals who have pre-
22 viously been convicted of a crime punishable by
23 imprisonment for more than 1 year.

24 (b) LIMITATION ON AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-
25 TIONS.—To carry out this section, there are authorized
26 to be appropriated to the Attorney General \$8,300,000 for

1 each of fiscal years 2002 through 2005. Amounts appro-
2 priated pursuant to this subsection are authorized to re-
3 main available until expended.

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