H. R. 3415

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

December 5, 2001

Mr. Kucinich 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 "Employment Contract
- 5 Protection Act of 2001".
- 6 SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS.
- 7 Section 507(a) of title 11, United States Code, is
- 8 amended—

1	(1) in paragraph (3) by striking ", but only"
2	and all that follows through "90 days", and insert-
3	ing "earned", and
4	(2) in paragraph (4)—
5	(A) in subparagraph (A)—
6	(i) by striking "within 180 days", and
7	(ii) by striking "but only" and insert-
8	ing "less", and
9	(B) by amending subparagraph (B) to read
10	as follows:
11	"(B) the aggregate amount paid by the es-
12	tate on behalf of such employees to any other
13	employee benefit plan.".
14	SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.
15	(a) Effective Date.—Except as provided in sub-
16	section (b), this Act and the amendments made by this
17	Act shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this
18	Act.
19	(b) Application of Amendments.—The amend-
20	ments made by this Act shall apply only with respect to
21	cases pending under title 11 of the United States Code
22	in a bankruptcy court of the United States on or after
23	the date of the enactment of this Act.