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# H. R. 580

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 19, 2007

Mr. BERMAN (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. SCOTT of Virginia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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. INTERIM APPOINTMENT OF UNITED STATES**  
4 **ATTORNEYS.**

5 Section 546 of title 28, United States Code, is  
6 amended by striking subsection (c) and inserting the fol-  
7 lowing new subsections:

1       “(c) A person appointed as United States attorney  
2 under this section may serve until the earlier of—

3               “(1) the qualification of a United States attor-  
4 ney for such district appointed by the President  
5 under section 541 of this title; or

6               “(2) the expiration of 120 days after appoint-  
7 ment by the Attorney General under this section.

8       “(d) If an appointment expires under subsection  
9 (c)(2), the district court for such district may appoint a  
10 United States attorney to serve until the vacancy is filled.  
11 The order of appointment by the court shall be filed with  
12 the clerk of the court.”.

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