

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5539

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 17, 2018

Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida (for himself, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. GAETZ, Mr. GALLAGHER, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. BLUM, Mr. BRAT, and Mr. NORMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Thomas Jefferson
5 Public Service Act of 2018”.

6 **SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF ANNUAL RATE OF PAY OF \$1**
7 **FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS SERVING SIX**
8 **CONSECUTIVE TERMS IN HOUSE OR TWO**
9 **CONSECUTIVE TERMS IN SENATE.**

10 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF ANNUAL RATE OF PAY AT
11 \$1.—Section 601(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act
12 of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4501) is amended—

13 (1) by striking “The annual rate of pay” and
14 inserting “Except as provided in paragraph (3), the
15 annual rate of pay”; and

16 (2) by adding at the end the following new
17 paragraph:

18 “(3) The annual rate of pay for an individual de-
19 scribed in paragraph (1) shall be \$1 for any pay period
20 occurring—

21 “(A) in the case of an individual who is a Mem-
22 ber of the House of Representatives, including a
23 Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress,
24 after the individual has served 6 consecutive full

1 terms as a Member of the House of Representatives;
2 or

3 “(B) in the case of an individual who is a Sen-
4 ator, after the individual has served 2 consecutive
5 full terms as a Senator.”.

6 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
7 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to terms of service
8 occurring during the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress or
9 any succeeding Congress.

10 **SEC. 3. EXCLUSION OF MEMBER SERVICE FOR PURPOSES**
11 **OF RETIREMENT.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
13 sion of law, after an individual who is a Member of Con-
14 gress has served for 6 consecutive full terms in the House
15 of Representatives or 2 consecutive full terms in the Sen-
16 ate, any service of that individual as a Member of Con-
17 gress after the end of that sixth or second term (as the
18 case may be) shall not be creditable service for purposes
19 of an annuity under chapter 83 or 84 of title 5, United
20 States Code.

21 (b) CONTRIBUTIONS.—With respect to any service as
22 a Member of Congress excluded by operation of subsection
23 (a), no individual or Government contributions shall be
24 made on behalf of that Member under sections 8334,
25 8422, or 8423 of title 5, United States Code.

1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with
2 respect to terms of service as a Member of Congress occur-
3 ring during the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress or any
4 succeeding Congress.

5 (d) DEFINITION OF MEMBER OF CONGRESS.—In this
6 section, the term “Member of Congress” has the meaning
7 given the term “Member” in section 8331(2) and
8 8401(20) (as the case may be) of title 5, United States
9 Code.

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