

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 4996

AN ACT

To ensure funding of the United States trustees, extend temporary bankruptcy judgeships, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Bankruptcy Adminis-
3 tration Improvement Act of 2020”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

5 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

6 (1) Because of the importance of the goal that
7 the bankruptcy system is self-funded, at no cost to
8 the taxpayer, Congress has closely monitored the
9 funding needs of the bankruptcy system, including
10 by requiring periodic reporting by the Attorney Gen-
11 eral regarding the United States Trustee System
12 Fund.

13 (2) Congress has amended the various bank-
14 ruptcy fees as necessary to ensure that the bank-
15 ruptcy system remains self-supporting, while also
16 fairly allocating the costs of the system among those
17 who use the system.

18 (3) Because the bankruptcy system is inter-
19 connected, the result has been a system of fees, in-
20 cluding filing fees, quarterly fees in chapter 11
21 cases, and other fees, that together fund the courts,
22 judges, United States trustees, and chapter 7 case
23 trustees necessary for the bankruptcy system to
24 function.

25 (4) This Act and the amendments made by this
26 Act—

1 (A) ensure adequate funding of the United
 2 States trustees, supports the preservation of ex-
 3 isting bankruptcy judgeships that are urgently
 4 needed to handle existing and anticipated in-
 5 creases in business and consumer caseloads,
 6 and provides long-overdue additional compensa-
 7 tion for chapter 7 case trustees whose caseloads
 8 include chapter 11 reorganization cases that
 9 were converted to chapter 7 liquidation cases;
 10 and

11 (B) confirm the longstanding intention of
 12 Congress that quarterly fee requirements re-
 13 main consistent across all Federal judicial dis-
 14 tricts.

15 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act and the
 16 amendments made by this Act is to further the long-stand-
 17 ing goal of Congress of ensuring that the bankruptcy sys-
 18 tem is self-funded, at no cost to the taxpayer.

19 **SEC. 3. UNITED STATES TRUSTEE SYSTEM FUND; BANK-**
 20 **RUPTCY FEES.**

21 (a) DEPOSITS OF CERTAIN FEES FOR FISCAL YEARS
 22 2021 THROUGH 2026.—Notwithstanding section 589a(b)
 23 of title 28, United States Code, for each of fiscal years
 24 2021 through 2026—

1 (1) the fees collected under section 1930(a)(6)
2 of such title, less the amount specified in subpara-
3 graph (2), shall be deposited as specified in sub-
4 section (b); and

5 (2) \$5,400,000 of the fees collected under sec-
6 tion 1930(a)(6) of such title shall be deposited in
7 the general fund of the Treasury.

8 (b) UNITED STATES TRUSTEE SYSTEM FUND.—Sec-
9 tion 589a of title 28, United States Code, is amended by
10 adding at the end the following:

11 “(f)(1) During each of fiscal years 2021 through
12 2026 and notwithstanding subsections (b) and (c), the fees
13 collected under section 1930(a)(6), less the amount speci-
14 fied in paragraph (2), shall be deposited as follows, in the
15 following order:

16 “(A) First, the amounts specified in the De-
17 partment of Justice appropriations for that fiscal
18 year, shall be deposited as discretionary offsetting
19 collections to the “United States Trustee System
20 Fund”, pursuant to subsection (a), to remain avail-
21 able until expended.

22 “(B) Second, the amounts determined annually
23 by the Director of the Administrative Office of the
24 United States Courts that are necessary to reim-
25 burse the judiciary for the costs of administering

1 payments under section 330(e) of title 11, shall be
2 deposited as mandatory offsetting collections to the
3 ‘United States Trustee System Fund’, and trans-
4 ferred and deposited into the special fund estab-
5 lished under section 1931(a), and notwithstanding
6 subsection (a), shall be available for expenditure
7 without further appropriation.

8 “(C) Third, the amounts determined annually
9 by the Director of the Administrative Office of the
10 United States Courts that are necessary to pay
11 trustee compensation authorized by section
12 330(e)(2) of title 11, shall be deposited as manda-
13 tory offsetting collections to the ‘United States
14 Trustee System Fund’, and transferred and depos-
15 ited into the Chapter 7 Trustee Fund established
16 under section 330(e) of title 11 for payment to
17 trustees serving in cases under chapter 7 of title 11
18 (in addition to the amounts paid under section
19 330(b) of title 11), in accordance with that section,
20 and notwithstanding subsection (a), shall be avail-
21 able for expenditure without further appropriation.

22 “(D) Fourth, any remaining amounts shall be
23 deposited as discretionary offsetting collections to
24 the ‘United States Trustee System Fund’, to remain
25 available until expended.

1 “(2) Notwithstanding subsection (b), for each of fis-
 2 cal years 2021 through 2026, \$5,400,000 of the fees col-
 3 lected under section 1930(a)(6) shall be deposited in the
 4 general fund of the Treasury.”.

5 (c) COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS.—Section 330 of
 6 title 11, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
 7 end the following:

8 “(e)(1) There is established a fund in the Treasury
 9 of the United States, to be known as the ‘Chapter 7 Trust-
 10 ee Fund’, which shall be administered by the Director of
 11 the Administrative Office of the United States Courts.

12 “(2) Deposits into the Chapter 7 Trustee Fund under
 13 section 589a(f)(1)(C) of title 28 shall be available until
 14 expended for the purposes described in paragraph (3).

15 “(3) For fiscal years 2021 through 2026, the Chapter
 16 7 Trustee Fund shall be available to pay the trustee serv-
 17 ing in a case that is filed under chapter 7 or a case that
 18 is converted to a chapter 7 case in the most recent fiscal
 19 year (referred to in this subsection as a ‘chapter 7 case’)
 20 the amount described in paragraph (4) for the chapter 7
 21 case in which the trustee has rendered services in that fis-
 22 cal year.

23 “(4) The amount described in this paragraph shall
 24 be the lesser of—

25 “(A) \$60; or

1 “(B) a pro rata share, for each chapter 7 case,
 2 of the fees collected under section 1930(a)(6) of title
 3 28 and deposited to the United States Trustee Sys-
 4 tem Fund under section 589a(f)(1) of title 28, less
 5 the amounts specified in section 589a(f)(1)(A) and
 6 (B) of title 28.

7 “(5) The payment received by a trustee under para-
 8 graph (3) shall be paid in addition to the amount paid
 9 under subsection (b).

10 “(6) Not later than September 30, 2021, the Director
 11 of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts
 12 shall promulgate regulations for the administration of this
 13 subsection.”.

14 (d) BANKRUPTCY FEES.—Section 1930(a) of title 28,
 15 United States Code, is amended—

16 (1) by striking paragraph (6)(B) and inserting
 17 the following:

18 “(B)(i) During the 5-year period beginning
 19 on January 1, 2021, in addition to the filing fee
 20 paid to the clerk, a quarterly fee shall be paid
 21 to the United States trustee, for deposit in the
 22 Treasury, in each open and reopened case
 23 under chapter 11 of title 11, other than under
 24 subchapter V, for each quarter (including any

fraction thereof) until the case is closed, converted, or dismissed, whichever occurs first.

“(ii) The fee shall be the greater of—

“(I) 0.4 percent of disbursements or \$250 for each quarter in which disbursements total less than \$1,000,000; and

“(II) 0.8 percent of disbursements but not more than \$250,000 for each quarter in which disbursements total at least \$1,000,000.

“(iii) The fee shall be payable on the last day of the calendar month following the calendar quarter for which the fee is owed.”; and

(2) in paragraph (7), in the first sentence, by striking “may” and inserting “shall”.

(e) APPLICABILITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendments made by this section shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act.

(2) EXCEPTIONS.—

(A) COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS.—The amendments made by subsection (c) shall apply to any case filed on or after the date of enactment of this Act—

1 (i) under chapter 7 of title 11, United
2 States Code; or

3 (ii)(I) under chapter 11, 12, or 13 of
4 that title; and

5 (II) converted to a chapter 7 case
6 under that title.

7 (B) BANKRUPTCY FEES.—The amend-
8 ments made by subsection (d) shall apply to—

9 (i) any case pending under chapter 11
10 of title 11, United States Code, on or after
11 the date of enactment of this Act; and

12 (ii) quarterly fees payable under sec-
13 tion 1930(a)(6) of title 28, United States
14 Code, as amended by subsection (d), for
15 disbursements made in any calendar quar-
16 ter that begins on or after the date of en-
17 actment of this Act.

18 **SEC. 4. EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY OFFICE OF BANK-**
19 **RUPTCY JUDGES IN CERTAIN JUDICIAL DIS-**
20 **TRICTS.**

21 (a) TEMPORARY OFFICE OF BANKRUPTCY JUDGES
22 AUTHORIZED BY THE BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP ACT OF
23 2017.—

24 (1) EXTENSIONS.—The temporary office of
25 bankruptcy judges authorized by section 1003(a) of

1 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28 U.S.C.
2 152 note) for the district of Delaware and the east-
3 ern district of Michigan are extended until the appli-
4 cable vacancy specified in paragraph (2) in the office
5 of a bankruptcy judge for the respective district oc-
6 curs.

7 (2) VACANCIES.—

8 (A) DISTRICT OF DELAWARE.—The 1st
9 and 2d vacancies in the office of a bankruptcy
10 judge for the district of Delaware—

11 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
12 date established by section 1003(b)(1) of
13 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
14 U.S.C. 152 note), and

15 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
16 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
17 ruptcy judge,

18 shall not be filled.

19 (B) EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN.—

20 The 1st vacancy in the office of a bankruptcy
21 judge for the eastern district of Michigan—

22 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
23 date established by section 1003(b)(3) of
24 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
25 U.S.C. 152 note), and

1 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
 2 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
 3 ruptcy judge,
 4 shall not be filled.

5 (3) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER PROVISIONS.—

6 Except as provided in paragraphs (1) and (2), all
 7 other provisions of section 1003 of the Bankruptcy
 8 Judgeship Act of 2017 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) remain
 9 applicable to the temporary office of bankruptcy
 10 judges referred to in paragraph (1).

11 (b) TEMPORARY OFFICE OF BANKRUPTCY JUDGES
 12 AUTHORIZED BY THE BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP ACT OF
 13 2005 AND EXTENDED BY THE TEMPORARY BANKRUPTCY
 14 JUDGESHIPS EXTENSION ACT OF 2012 AND THE BANK-
 15 RUPTCY JUDGESHIP ACT OF 2017.—

16 (1) EXTENSIONS.—The temporary office of
 17 bankruptcy judges authorized for the following dis-
 18 tricts by section 1223(b) of the Bankruptcy Judge-
 19 ship Act of 2005 (28 U.S.C. 152 note), extended by
 20 section 2(a) of the Temporary Bankruptcy Judge-
 21 ships Extension Act of 2012 (28 U.S.C. 152 note),
 22 and further extended by section 1002(a) of the
 23 Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28 U.S.C. 152
 24 note) are extended until the applicable vacancy spec-

1 ified in paragraph (2) in the office of a bankruptcy
2 judge for the respective district occurs:

3 (A) The district of Delaware.

4 (B) The southern district of Florida.

5 (C) The district of Maryland.

6 (D) The eastern district of Michigan.

7 (E) The district of Nevada.

8 (F) The eastern district of North Carolina.

9 (G) The district of Puerto Rico.

10 (H) The eastern district of Virginia.

11 (2) VACANCIES.—

12 (A) SINGLE VACANCIES.—Except as pro-
13 vided in subparagraphs (B), (C), (D), (E), and
14 (F), the 1st vacancy in the office of a bank-
15 ruptcy judge for each district specified in para-
16 graph (1)—

17 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
18 date established by section 1002(a)(2) of
19 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
20 U.S.C. 152 note), and

21 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
22 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
23 ruptcy judge,

24 shall not be filled.

1 (B) DISTRICT OF DELAWARE.—The 3d,
2 4th, 5th, and 6th vacancies in the office of a
3 bankruptcy judge for the district of Delaware—

4 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
5 date established by section 1002(a)(2) of
6 Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
7 U.S.C. 152 note), and

8 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
9 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
10 ruptcy judge,

11 shall not be filled.

12 (C) SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA.—
13 The 1st and 2d vacancies in the office of a
14 bankruptcy judge for the southern district of
15 Florida—

16 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
17 date established by section 1002(a)(2) of
18 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
19 U.S.C. 152 note), and

20 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
21 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
22 ruptcy judge,

23 shall not be filled.

1 (D) DISTRICT OF MARYLAND.—The 1st
2 vacancy in the office of a bankruptcy judge for
3 the district of Maryland—

4 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
5 date established by section 1002(a)(2) of
6 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
7 U.S.C. 152 note), and

8 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
9 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
10 ruptcy judge,
11 shall not be filled.

12 (E) EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN.—
13 The 2d vacancy in the office of a bankruptcy
14 judge for the eastern district of Michigan—

15 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
16 date established by section 1002(a)(2) of
17 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
18 U.S.C. 152 note), and

19 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
20 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
21 ruptcy judge,
22 shall not be filled.

23 (F) DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO.—The 1st
24 vacancy in the office of a bankruptcy judge for
25 the district of Puerto Rico—

1 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
 2 date established by section 1002(a)(2) of
 3 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
 4 U.S.C. 152 note), and

5 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
 6 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
 7 ruptcy judge,
 8 shall not be filled.

9 (3) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER PROVISIONS.—
 10 Except as provided in paragraphs (1) and (2), all
 11 other provisions of section 1223 of the Bankruptcy
 12 Judgeship Act of 2005 (28 U.S.C. 152 note), section
 13 2 of the Temporary Bankruptcy Judgeships Exten-
 14 sion Act of 2012 (28 U.S.C. 152 note), and section
 15 1002 of the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
 16 U.S.C. 152 note) remain applicable to the temporary
 17 office of bankruptcy judges referred to in paragraph
 18 (1).

19 (c) TEMPORARY OFFICE OF BANKRUPTCY JUDGES
 20 AUTHORIZED BY THE BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP ACT OF
 21 2005 AND EXTENDED BY THE TEMPORARY BANKRUPTCY
 22 JUDGESHIPS EXTENSION ACT OF 2012.—

23 (1) EXTENSIONS.—The temporary office of
 24 bankruptcy judges authorized for the following dis-
 25 tricts by section 1223(b) of the Bankruptcy Judge-

1 ship Act of 2005 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) and extended
 2 by section 2(a) of the Temporary Bankruptcy
 3 Judgeships Extension Act of 2012 (28 U.S.C. 152
 4 note) are extended until the applicable vacancy spec-
 5 ified in paragraph (2) in the office of a bankruptcy
 6 judge for the respective district occurs:

7 (A) The southern district of Georgia.

8 (B) The district of Maryland.

9 (C) The district of New Jersey.

10 (D) The northern district of New York.

11 (E) The district of South Carolina.

12 (2) VACANCIES.—

13 (A) SINGLE VACANCIES.—Except as pro-
 14 vided in subparagraph (B), the 1st vacancy in
 15 the office of a bankruptcy judge for each dis-
 16 trict specified in paragraph (1)—

17 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
 18 date of the enactment of this Act, and

19 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
 20 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
 21 ruptcy judge,

22 shall not be filled.

23 (B) DISTRICT OF MARYLAND.—The 2d
 24 and 3d vacancies in the office of a bankruptcy
 25 judge for the district of Maryland—

- 1 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
 2 date of the enactment of this Act, and
 3 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
 4 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
 5 ruptcy judge,
 6 shall not be filled.

7 (3) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER PROVISIONS.—
 8 Except as provided in paragraphs (1) and (2), all
 9 other provisions of section 1223 of the Bankruptcy
 10 Judgeship Act of 2005 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) and
 11 section 2 of the Temporary Bankruptcy Judgeships
 12 Extension Act of 2012 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) remain
 13 applicable to the temporary office of bankruptcy
 14 judges referred to in paragraph (1).

15 (d) TEMPORARY OFFICE OF BANKRUPTCY JUDGES
 16 AUTHORIZED BY THE BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP ACT OF
 17 1992 AND EXTENDED BY THE BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP
 18 ACT OF 2005, THE TEMPORARY BANKRUPTCY JUDGE-
 19 SHIPS EXTENSION ACT OF 2012, AND THE BANKRUPTCY
 20 JUDGESHIP ACT OF 2017.—

21 (1) EXTENSIONS.—The temporary office of
 22 bankruptcy judges authorized by section 3(a) of the
 23 Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 1992 (28 U.S.C. 152
 24 note), extended by section 1223(c) of Bankruptcy
 25 Judgeship Act of 2005 (28 U.S.C. 152 note), ex-

1 tended by section 2(b) of the Temporary Bankruptcy
 2 Judgeships Extension Act of 2012 (28 U.S.C. 152
 3 note), and further extended by section 1002(b) of
 4 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28 U.S.C.
 5 152 note) for the district of Delaware and the dis-
 6 trict of Puerto Rico are extended until the applicable
 7 vacancy specified in paragraph (2) in the office of a
 8 bankruptcy judge for the respective district occurs.

9 (2) VACANCIES.—

10 (A) DISTRICT OF DELAWARE.—The 7th
 11 vacancy in the office of a bankruptcy judge for
 12 the district of Delaware—

13 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
 14 date established by section 1002(b)(2) of
 15 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
 16 U.S.C. 152 note), and

17 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
 18 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
 19 ruptcy judge,

20 shall not be filled.

21 (B) DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO.—The 2d
 22 vacancy in the office of a bankruptcy judge for
 23 the district of Puerto Rico—

24 (i) occurring 5 years or more after the
 25 date established by section 1002(b)(2) of

1 the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28
2 U.S.C. 152 note), and

3 (ii) resulting from the death, retire-
4 ment, resignation, or removal of a bank-
5 ruptcy judge,
6 shall not be filled.

7 (3) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER PROVISIONS.—
8 Except as provided in paragraphs (1) and (2), all
9 other provisions of section 3 of the Bankruptcy
10 Judgeship Act of 1992 (28 U.S.C. 152 note), section
11 1223 of Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2005 (28
12 U.S.C. 152 note), section 2 of the Temporary Bank-
13 ruptcy Judgeships Extension Act of 2012 (28
14 U.S.C. 152 note), and section 1002 of the Bank-
15 ruptcy Judgeship Act of 2017 (28 U.S.C. 152 note)
16 remain applicable to the temporary office of bank-
17 ruptcy judges referred to in paragraph (1).

18 (e) TEMPORARY OFFICE OF BANKRUPTCY JUDGE
19 AUTHORIZED BY THE BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP ACT OF
20 1992 AND EXTENDED BY THE BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP
21 ACT OF 2005 AND THE TEMPORARY BANKRUPTCY
22 JUDGESHIPS EXTENSION ACT OF 2012.—

23 (1) EXTENSIONS.—The temporary office of
24 bankruptcy judge authorized by section 3(a) of the
25 Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 1992 (28 U.S.C. 152

1 note), extended by section 1223(c) of the Bank-
2 ruptcy Judgeship Act of 2005 (28 U.S.C. 152 note),
3 and further extended by section 2(b) of the Tem-
4 porary Bankruptcy Judgeships Extension Act of
5 2012 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) for the eastern district
6 of Tennessee is extended until the applicable vacancy
7 specified in paragraph (2) in the office of a bank-
8 ruptcy judge for the district occurs.

9 (2) VACANCY.—The 1st vacancy in the office of
10 a bankruptcy judge for the eastern district of Ten-
11 nessee—

12 (A) occurring 5 years or more after the
13 date of the enactment of this Act, and

14 (B) resulting from the death, retirement,
15 resignation, or removal of a bankruptcy judge,
16 shall not be filled.

17 (3) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER PROVISIONS.—
18 Except as provided in paragraphs (1) and (2), all
19 other provisions of section 3 of the Bankruptcy
20 Judgeship Act of 1992 (28 U.S.C. 152 note), section
21 1223 of the Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2005 (28
22 U.S.C. 152 note), and section 2 of the Temporary
23 Bankruptcy Judgeships Extension Act of 2012 (28
24 U.S.C. 152 note) remain applicable to the temporary

1 office of bankruptcy judge referred to in paragraph
2 (1).

3 (f) TEMPORARY OFFICE OF BANKRUPTCY JUDGE
4 AUTHORIZED BY THE BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP ACT OF
5 1992 AND EXTENDED BY THE TEMPORARY BANKRUPTCY
6 JUDGESHIPS EXTENSION ACT OF 2012.—

7 (1) EXTENSIONS.—The temporary office of
8 bankruptcy judge authorized by section 3(a) of the
9 Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 1992 (28 U.S.C. 152
10 note) and extended by section 2(c) of the Temporary
11 Bankruptcy Judgeships Extension Act of 2012 (28
12 U.S.C. 152 note) for the middle district of North
13 Carolina is extended until the applicable vacancy
14 specified in paragraph (2) in the office of a bank-
15 ruptcy judge for the district occurs.

16 (2) VACANCY.—The 1st vacancy in the office of
17 a bankruptcy judge for the middle district of North
18 Carolina—

19 (A) occurring 5 years or more after the
20 date of the enactment of this Act, and

21 (B) resulting from the death, retirement,
22 resignation, or removal of a bankruptcy judge,
23 shall not be filled.

24 (3) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER PROVISIONS.—
25 Except as provided in paragraphs (1) and (2), all

1 other provisions of section 3 of the Bankruptcy
2 Judgeship Act of 1992 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) and
3 section 2 of the Temporary Bankruptcy Judgeships
4 Extension Act of 2012 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) (28
5 U.S.C. 152 note) remain applicable to the temporary
6 office of bankruptcy judge referred to in paragraph
7 (1).

8 **SEC. 5. REGULATIONS.**

9 Section 375(h) of title 28, United States Code, is
10 amended by striking “may” and inserting “shall”.

Passed the Senate December 9, 2020.

Attest:

Secretary.

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