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To provide for the expedited payment of certain benefits for a public safety officer who was killed or suffered a catastrophic injury as a direct and proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line of duty in connection with the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 13, 2001

Mr. NADLER (for himself, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. KING, Mrs. LOWEY, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. QUINN, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. WALSH, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. HOLDEN, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs. TAUSCHER, and Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. EXPEDITED PAYMENT FOR HEROIC PUBLIC**  
2 **SAFETY OFFICERS.**

3       Notwithstanding the limitations of subsection (b) of  
4 section 1201 or the provisions of subsections (c), (d), and  
5 (e) of such section or section 1202 of title I of the Omni-  
6 bus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42  
7 U.S.C. 3796, 3796a), upon certification by a public agency  
8 that a public safety officer employed by such agency was  
9 killed or suffered a catastrophic injury as a direct and  
10 proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line  
11 of duty as described in section 1201(a) of such Act in con-  
12 nection with the rescue or recovery efforts related to the  
13 terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, the Director of  
14 the Bureau of Justice Assistance shall authorize payment  
15 to qualified beneficiaries, said payment to be made not  
16 later than 30 days after receipt of such certification, bene-  
17 fits described under subpart 1 of part L of such Act (42  
18 U.S.C. 3796 et seq.).

19 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

20       For purposes of this Act, the terms “catastrophic in-  
21 jury”, “public agency”, and “public safety officer” have  
22 the same meanings given such terms in section 1204 of  
23 title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act  
24 of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3796b).

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