105TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2102

To amend the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 to repeal the sunset of the Environmental Protection Agency Office of Ombudsman, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 26, 1997

Mr. Talent introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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 That section 2002 of the Hazardous and Solid Waste
- 4 Amendments of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 6917) is amended—
- 5 (1) IN GENERAL.—42 U.S.C. 6917(d) is hereby
- 6 repealed.
- 7 (2) Report to congress.—The Office of Om-
- 8 budsman heretofore established by 42 U.S.C. 6917,

within the Environmental Protection Agency Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response shall issue a report to the Congress on the status of health and environmental concerns addressed by Ombudsman cases. Such report shall include recommendations for improvements to the hazardous waste programs for which the Environmental Protection Agency and to the extent appropriate, the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) are responsible.

(3) STRUCTURE.—The Environmental Protection Agency shall facilitate structuring the Office of Ombudsman consistent with the American Bar Association's Model Ombudsman Statute.

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