105TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 504

To amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to the minimum wage and overtime exemption for employees subject to certain leave policies.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 4, 1997

Mr. Andrews introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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 "Workplace Leave
- 5 Fairness Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. EMPLOYEES SUBJECT TO CERTAIN LEAVE POLI-
- 7 CIES.
- 8 Section 13(a)(1) (29 U.S.C. 213(a)(1)) is amended
- 9 by adding before the semicolon at the end the following:

1	"and an employee shall not be disqualified for an ex-
2	emption under this paragraph on the basis that such
3	employee is subject to reductions—
4	"(A) in accrued leave of any type, or
5	"(B) in pay,
6	because of an absence of the employee and because
7	such employee's accrued leave was exhausted or such
8	employee chose to be absent without charging the
9	employee's accrued leave, regardless of the length of
10	the leave or absence for which such reductions are
11	to be made".
12	SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.
13	The amendment made by section 2 shall apply to an
14	employee (described in the amendment) before, on, and
15	after the date of enactment of this Act unless—
16	(1) an action was brought in a court involving
17	the application of section $13(a)(1)$ of the Fair Labor
18	Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 213(a)(1)) to the
19	employee; and
20	(2) a final judgment has been entered in the ac-
21	tion on or before the date of enactment of this Act.