

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1054

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 23, 1997

Mr. COCHRAN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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. UNIFORM MINIMUM LEVEL OF EARNINGS FOR**
4 **DEMONSTRATING ABILITY TO ENGAGE IN**
5 **SUBSTANTIAL GAINFUL ACTIVITY.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 223(d)(4) of the Social
7 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 423(d)(4)) is amended, in the sec-

1 ond sentence, by striking “No individual who is blind shall
2 be regarded” and inserting “No individual shall be re-
3 garded”.

4 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
5 this section shall apply to monthly insurance benefits for
6 months after December 1997.

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