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# S. 1165

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 11, 1997

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

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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,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Social Security Advi-  
5       sory Board Sunshine Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7       Congress finds that—

1           (1) the Social Security Advisory Board has a  
 2           vital mission to advise the Commissioner of Social  
 3           Security, Congress, and the President on the future  
 4           direction of the Social Security Administration;

5           (2) the Advisory Board has a responsibility to  
 6           ensure that future social security policy continues to  
 7           provide a basic level of economic protection for retir-  
 8           ees, the disabled, and their dependents; and

9           (3) the Advisory Board must conduct its activi-  
 10          ties and operations in the open, with public notice,  
 11          and with disclosure of information to the fullest ex-  
 12          tent possible.

13 **SEC. 3. APPLICATION OF FACA TO SOCIAL SECURITY ADVI-**  
 14 **SORY BOARD.**

15          (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 703(h) of the Social Secu-  
 16          rity Act (42 U.S.C. 903(h)) is amended to read as follows:

17                 “Federal Advisory Committee Act

18          “(h) The Board shall be subject to sections 10, 11,  
 19          and 12(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5  
 20          U.S.C. App.).”

21          (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
 22          subsection (a) shall apply to meetings occurring after the  
 23          date of enactment of this Act.

1 **SEC. 4. COMPENSATION FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEM-**  
 2 **BERS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 703(f) of the Social Secu-  
 4 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 903(f)) is amended to read as follows:

5 “Compensation

6 “(f) Members of the Board—

7 “(1) shall each receive compensation at a rate  
 8 of not to exceed the daily equivalent of the annual  
 9 rate of basic pay payable for positions at GS–15 of  
 10 the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5,  
 11 United States Code, for each day such member is  
 12 engaged in the actual performance of the duties of  
 13 the Board, and

14 “(2) while serving on business of the Board  
 15 away from their homes or regular places of business,  
 16 may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem  
 17 in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5703  
 18 of title 5 of such Code for persons in the Govern-  
 19 ment employed intermittently.”

20 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
 21 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of enactment  
 22 of this Act.

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