

105TH CONGRESS
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S. 1573

To amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to increase the Federal minimum wage.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 27, 1998

Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. WELLSTONE, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. KERRY, Mr. TORRICELLI, and Mrs. BOXER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources

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 “Fair Minimum Wage
5 Act of 1998”.

6 **SEC. 2. MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE.**

7 (a) WAGE.—Paragraph (1) of section 6(a) of the Fair
8 Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206(a)(1)) is
9 amended to read as follows:

1 “(1) except as otherwise provided in this sec-
2 tion, not less than—

3 “(A) \$5.65 an hour during the year begin-
4 ning on September 1, 1998;

5 “(B) \$6.15 an hour during the year begin-
6 ning on September 1, 1999;

7 “(C) \$6.65 an hour during the year begin-
8 ning on September 1, 2000; and

9 “(D) beginning on September 1, 2001,
10 \$6.65 an hour, as adjusted by the Secretary on
11 each September 1 to reflect increases in the
12 Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consum-
13 ers during the most recent 12-month period for
14 which data are available.”.

15 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
16 subsection (a) takes effect on September 1, 1998.

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