S. 2521

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

September 28, 1998

Mr. Harkin introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

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. INDEPENDENT BUDGETS OF OFFICES OF
- 4 INSPECTOR GENERAL.
- 5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Inspector General Act of
- 6 1978 is amended by inserting after section 2 the following
- 7 new section:

- 1 "INDEPENDENT BUDGETS OF OFFICES OF INSPECTOR
- 2 GENERAL
- 3 "Sec. 2A. The Office of Inspector General for each
- 4 establishment, Federal entity (as defined under section
- 5 8G(1)), and designated Federal entity (as defined under
- 6 section 8G(2)) shall be treated as a separate agency (inde-
- 7 pendent of the applicable establishment, Federal entity, or
- 8 designated Federal entity) for purposes of sections 1108,
- 9 1109, 1111, 1112, 1113, and 1114 of title 31, United
- 10 States Code.".
- 11 (b) Technical and Conforming Amendment.—
- 12 Section 1108(a) of title 31, United States Code, is amend-
- 13 ed by adding after the first sentence the following: "An
- 14 Office of Inspector General of an agency shall be treated
- 15 as an agency under this section in accordance with section
- 16 2A of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C.
- 17 App.).".
- 18 (c) Effective Date.—This Act shall take effect on
- 19 October 1, 1998.

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