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H. R. 1436

To amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 15, 1999

Mr. BALLENGER (for himself, Mr. HALL of Texas, and Mr. STENHOLM) 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. STANDARDS.**

4 Section 6(b)(2) of the Occupational Safety and
5 Health Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C 655(b)(2)) is amended by
6 inserting after the first sentence the following: “The notice
7 in the Federal Register shall include identification of the
8 specific industry or industries to which the standard, to
9 be promulgated under the rule, will apply. In promul-
10 gating a standard, the Secretary shall ensure that the
11 standard, as applicable to each such industry, is based

1 upon an assessment of the risks to workers in such indus-
2 try from the hazard which is the subject of the standard,
3 the range of estimates and the best estimate of the quan-
4 tifiable and nonquantifiable benefits of the standard in
5 each such industry, and an analysis of the costs likely to
6 occur in each such industry as a result of compliance with
7 the standard. To the extent that information is not avail-
8 able on the specific risks to workers in any such industry,
9 the Secretary may determine risks and benefits on infor-
10 mation from similar industries, operations, or processes.”.

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