

106TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1588

To amend title 11 of the United States Code to permit all debtors to exempt certain payments receivable on account of discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, or gender, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 27, 1999

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi (for himself, Mr. TOWNS, and Mrs. CLAYTON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Discrimination Judg-
5 ment Protection Act of 1999”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS.**

7 Section 522 of title 11, United States Code, is
8 amended—

1 (1) in the 1st sentence of subsection (b) by in-
2 serting before the period at the end the following:
3 “, and, in addition to the property so listed, any payment
4 on account of a claim of the debtor for unlawful discrimi-
5 nation based on race, color, religion, national origin, or
6 gender”, and

7 (2) in subsection (d)(11)(D) by striking “, not
8 to exceed \$15,000.”.

9 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.**

10 (a) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—Except as provided in sub-
11 section (b), this Act and the amendments made by this
12 Act shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this
13 Act.

14 (b) **APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.**—The amend-
15 ments made by this Act shall apply only with respect to
16 cases commenced under title 11 of the United States Code
17 on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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