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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 19, 1999

Mr. Bonior (for himself, Mr. Gephardt, Mr. Frost, Mr. Menendez, Ms. Delauro, Mr. Lewis of Georgia, Mr. Kennedy of Rhode Island, Mr. CLAY, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. OWENS, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. Andrews, Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Barrett of Wisconsin, Ms. Berk-LEY, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Capuano, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Carson, Mrs. Clay-TON, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. COYNE, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. Delahunt, Mr. Dingell, Mr. Faleomavaega, Mr. Filner, Mr. FORD, Mr. Frank of Massachusetts, Mr. Gejdenson, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Green of Texas, Mr. Gutierrez, Mr. Hall of Ohio, Mr. Hinchey, Mr. Jefferson, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. Kildee, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. KLINK, Mr. LAFALCE, Ms. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. Markey, Mr. Matsui, Mr. McDermott, Mr. McGovern, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. MILLENDER-McDonald, Mrs. Mink of Hawaii, Mr. Nadler, Mr. Neal of Massachusetts, Ms. Norton, Mr. Obey, Mr. Olver, Mr. Pallone, Mr. Payne, Ms. Pelosi, Mr. Rahall, Mr. Rangel, Mr. Rothman, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. STARK, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. VENTO, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WEXLER, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. WYNN) 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. SHORT TITLE.
4	This Act may be cited as the "Fair Minimum Wage
5	Act of 1999".
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:
10	"(1) except as otherwise provided in this sec-
11	tion, not less than—
12	"(A) \$5.65 an hour during the year begin-
13	ning on September 1, 1999; and
14	"(B) \$6.15 an hour beginning on Septem-
15	ber 1, 2000.".
16	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
17	subsection (a) takes effect on September 1, 1999.
18	SEC. 3. APPLICABILITY OF MINIMUM WAGE TO THE COM-
19	MONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA
20	ISLANDS.
21	The provisions of section 6 of the Fair Labor Stand-
22	ards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206) shall apply to the Com-
23	monwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands