106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION H.R. 3656

To amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to reauthorize the Office of Ombudsman of the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 15, 2000 Mr. BILIRAKIS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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 "Ombudsman Reauthor-
- 5 ization Act of 2000".

6 SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION AND RESTRUCTURING OF OF7 FICE OF OMBUDSMAN.

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2008(d) of the Solid
9 Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6917(d)) is amended by
10 striking "4 years after the date of enactment of the Haz-

ardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984" and insert ing "on the date that is 10 years after the date of enact ment of the Ombudsman Reauthorization Act of 2000".
 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Ombudsman of the Of-6 fice of Ombudsman of the Environmental Protection 7 Agency under section 2008 of the Solid Waste Dis-8 posal Act (42 U.S.C. 6917) shall submit to Congress 9 a report on the status of health and environmental 10 concerns addressed by cases brought before the Om-11 budsman.

(2) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The report under
paragraph (1) shall include recommendations for improvements to the hazardous waste programs for
which the Environmental Protection Agency and, to
the extent appropriate, the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, are responsible.

(c) STRUCTURE.—The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall facilitate, to the maximum
extent practicable, the structuring of the Office of Ombudsman to conform to the structure reflected in the
Model Ombudsman Statute of the American Bar Association.

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