106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. R. 930

To amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act to remove the requirement that exposure resulting in stomach cancer occur before age 30, and for other purposes.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 2, 1999

Mrs. Mink of Hawaii 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. REMOVAL OF REQUIREMENT THAT EXPOSURE
- 4 RESULTING IN STOMACH CANCER OCCUR BE-
- 5 **FORE AGE 30.**
- 6 Section 4(b)(2) of the Radiation Exposure Com-
- 7 pensation Act (42 U.S.C. 2210 note) is amended by strik-
- 8 ing "(provided initial exposure occurred before age 30)".

1	SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE CLAIMS FORMERLY
2	BARRED.
3	Section 8 of the Radiation Exposure Compensation
4	Act (42 U.S.C. 2210 note) is amended—
5	(1) by inserting "(a) In General.—" before
6	"A claim"; and
7	(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
8	section:
9	"(b) STOMACH CANCER CLAIMS FORMERLY
10	Barred.—
11	"(1) Extension of time.—A claim by an indi-
12	vidual described in section 4(a)(2), who submits the
13	documentation required by such section to show that
14	the individual contracted cancer of the stomach after
15	initial exposure that occurred at or after age 30,
16	shall be barred unless filed within 20 years after the
17	date of the enactment of this subsection.
18	"(2) Claims previously denied.—An indi-
19	vidual may reapply for payment under this Act if the
20	individual's claim under section 4(a)(2) was denied
21	before the date of the enactment of this subsection
22	on the grounds that the specific disease claimed by
23	the individual was cancer of the stomach and the
24	initial exposure of the individual did not occur before
25	age 30.".