

106TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 1157

To repeal the Davis-Bacon Act and the Copeland Act.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 27, 1999

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. HELMS, and Mr. COCHRAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## A BILL

To repeal the Davis-Bacon Act and the Copeland Act.

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. DAVIS-BACON ACT.**

4       (a) REPEAL.—The Act of March 3, 1931 (40 U.S.C.  
5       276a et seq.) (commonly referred to as the Davis-Bacon  
6       Act) is repealed.

7       (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law to a  
8       wage requirement of the Act of March 3, 1931, shall after  
9       the date of the enactment of this Act be null and void.

1 **SEC. 2. COPELAND ACT.**

2       Section 2 of the Act of June 13, 1934 (40 U.S.C.  
3 276c) (commonly referred to as the “Copeland Act”) is  
4 repealed.

5 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

6       The amendments made by sections 1 and 2 shall take  
7 effect 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act  
8 but shall not affect any contract in existence on such date  
9 of enactment or made pursuant to invitation for bids out-  
10 standing on such date of enactment.

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