

106TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1698

For the relief of D.W. Jacobson, Ronald Karkala, and Paul Bjorgen of
Grand Rapids, Minnesota, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 6, 1999

Mr. GRAMS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

For the relief of D.W. Jacobson, Ronald Karkala, and Paul
Bjorgen of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, and for other purposes.

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. RELIEF OF D.W. JACOBSON, RONALD KARKALA,**

4 **AND PAUL BJORGEN.**

5 The Secretary of the Treasury shall pay, out of any
6 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
7 \$3,391,404.50 jointly to D.W. Jacobson, Ronald Karkala,
8 and Paul Bjorgen of Norwood Manufacturing, Inc. (now
9 dissolved) of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, for damages in-
10 curred relating to the termination of a contract with the

1 United States Postal Service for the manufacture of wood-
2 en pallets.

3 **SEC. 2. SATISFACTION OF CLAIM AGAINST THE UNITED**
4 **STATES.**

5 Payment under section 1 shall constitute full settle-
6 ment of all legal and equitable claims by D.W. Jacobson,
7 Ronald Karkala, and Paul Bjorgen of Norwood Manufac-
8 turing, Inc. (now dissolved) of Grand Rapids, Minnesota,
9 against the United States.

10 **SEC. 3. NO INFERENCE OF LIABILITY.**

11 Nothing in this Act shall infer liability on the part
12 of the United States.

13 **SEC. 4. LIMITATION ON ATTORNEY AND AGENT FEES.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not more than 10 percent of the
15 payment specified in section 1 may be paid to or received
16 by an agent or attorney as consideration for a service ren-
17 dered in connection with this Act.

18 (b) ENFORCEABILITY OF CONTRACT.—A contract
19 that violates subsection (a) is unenforceable.

20 (c) CRIMINAL PENALTY.—Violation of subsection (a)
21 is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than
22 \$1,000.

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