S. 1763

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 21, 1999

Mr. Allard introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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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 1999".
- 6 SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION AND RESTRUCTURING OF OF-
- 7 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-

- 1 ardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984" and insert-
- 2 ing "on the date that is 10 years after the date of enact-
- 3 ment of the Ombudsman Reauthorization Act of 1999".
- 4 (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.
- 18 (c) STRUCTURE.—The Administrator of the Environ19 mental Protection Agency shall facilitate, to the maximum
 20 extent practicable, the structuring of the Office of Om21 budsman to conform to the structure reflected in the
 22 Model Ombudsman Statute of the American Bar Associa23 tion.

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