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H. R. 3390

To provide consistent treatment of overtime, night, and holiday inspection and quarantine services performed by employees of the Department of Agriculture.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 30, 2001

Mr. SHOWS (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Department of Agri-
5 culture Inspection and Quarantine Services Payment
6 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PAYMENT FOR OVERTIME, NIGHT, AND HOLIDAY IN-**
2 **SPECTION AND QUARANTINE SERVICES**
3 **UNDER DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE IN-**
4 **SPECTION LAWS.**

5 (a) CONSISTENT PAYMENT AUTHORITY.—The Sec-
6 retary of Agriculture may pay employees of the Depart-
7 ment of Agriculture employed in establishments subject to
8 the Poultry Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 451 et
9 seq.), the Federal Meat Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 601 et
10 seq.), the Egg Products Inspection Act (21 U.S.C. 1031
11 et seq.), or any other law regarding the inspection or quar-
12 antine of agricultural products for all overtime, night, and
13 holiday work performed at such establishments, at such
14 rates as the Secretary may determine.

15 (b) REIMBURSEMENT.—The Secretary may require
16 the persons for whom overtime, night, or holiday work de-
17 scribed in subsection (a) is performed to reimburse the
18 Secretary for the amounts paid out by the Secretary for
19 such work. Amounts received by the Secretary as reim-
20 bursement shall be available to the Secretary, without fur-
21 ther appropriation and until expended, to make payments
22 for such overtime, night, and holiday work.

23 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—(1) The second
24 paragraph under the heading “MEAT INSPECTION, BU-
25 REAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY:” in the Act of July 24, 1919
26 (7 U.S.C. 394), is repealed.

1 (2) Section 25 of the Poultry Products Inspection Act
2 (21 U.S.C. 468) is amended by striking “overtime and hol-
3 iday” and all that follows through the period at the end
4 of the section and inserting “overtime, night, and holiday
5 work covered by section 2 of the Department of Agri-
6 culture Inspection and Quarantine Services Payment
7 Act.”.

8 (3) The Act of June 5, 1948 (21 U.S.C. 695), is
9 amended by striking “overtime pursuant to the Act of July
10 24, 1919 (7 U.S.C. 394)” and inserting “overtime, night,
11 and holiday work covered by section 2 of the Department
12 of Agriculture Inspection and Quarantine Services Pay-
13 ment Act”.

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