107TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 5185

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 23, 2002

Mr. Gallegly (for himself, Mr. Weldon of Pennsylvania, Mr. Lewis of California, Mr. Gibbons, Mr. Calvert, Mr. Cannon, Mr. Souder, and Mr. Horn) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Resources and Government Reform, 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 "Wildfire Response En-
- 5 hancement Act".

1 SEC. 2. ACQUISITION OF GOODS AND SERVICES RELATED

- 2 TO FIGHTING WILDFIRES.
- 3 The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the
- 4 Interior may place an order with any Federal agency for
- 5 goods or services directly related to fighting wildfires with-
- 6 out regard to the restriction contained in section
- 7 1535(a)(4) of title 31, United States Code, if the Sec-
- 8 retary placing the order determines that the goods or serv-
- 9 ices are necessary to properly respond to a wildfire in a
- 10 timely and effective manner.

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