

107TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5375

To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to
ensure public safety officers receive benefits.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 12, 2002

Mr. MICA (for himself, Mr. KELLER, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. STEARNS,
Mr. BISHOP, and Ms. BROWN of Florida) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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. LINE OF DUTY.**

4 Section 1204 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control
5 and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3796b) is
6 amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (6) by striking “and” after
8 the semicolon;

9 (2) in paragraph (7), by striking the period and
10 inserting “; and”; and

1 (3) by adding at the end the following:

2 “(8) ‘line of duty’ means—

3 “(A) any action which a public safety offi-
4 cer is obligated or authorized by rule, regula-
5 tion, condition of employment or service, or law
6 to perform, including those social, ceremonial,
7 or athletic functions to which the officer is as-
8 signed, or for which the officer is compensated,
9 by the public agency he serves; and

10 “(B) any action which an officer or public
11 employee, as described in subparagraph (A),
12 performs that occurs in a jurisdiction other
13 than that of the employing agency but would
14 otherwise be recognized as obligated or author-
15 ized by rule, regulation, condition of employ-
16 ment or service, or law to perform if the activ-
17 ity had taken place within the jurisdiction of
18 the employing agency.”.

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