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To provide for the expedited payment of certain benefits for a public safety officer who was killed or suffered a catastrophic injury as a direct and proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line of duty in connection with the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 13, 2001

Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HATCH, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. NICKLES, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. BYRD) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. EXPEDITED PAYMENT FOR HEROIC PUBLIC**
2 **SAFETY OFFICERS.**

3 Notwithstanding the limitations of subsection (b) of
4 section 1201 or the provisions of subsections (c), (d), and
5 (e) of such section or section 1202 of title I of the Omni-
6 bus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42
7 U.S.C. 3796, 3796a), upon certification by a public agency
8 that a public safety officer employed by such agency was
9 killed or suffered a catastrophic injury as a direct and
10 proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line
11 of duty as described in section 1201(a) of such Act in con-
12 nection with the rescue or recovery efforts related to the
13 terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, the Director of
14 the Bureau of Justice Assistance shall pay to qualified
15 beneficiaries, not later than 30 days after receipt of such
16 certification, benefits described under subpart 1 of part
17 L of such Act (42 U.S.C. 3796 et seq.).

18 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

19 For purposes of this Act, the terms “catastrophic in-
20 jury”, “public agency”, and “public safety officer”, have
21 the same meanings given such terms in section 1204 of
22 title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act
23 of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3796b).

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