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[Report No. 108-780]

To extend the terrorism insurance program of the Department of the Treasury.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 22, 2004

Mr. Sessions (for himself, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Cantor, and Ms. Pryce of Ohio) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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Additional sponsors: Mr. Blunt, Mr. Rogers of Michigan, CUNNINGHAM, Mr. KING of New York, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. Tiberi, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Sandlin, Mr. Ryun of Kansas, Mr. Fer-GUSON, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. Garrett of New Jersey, Mr. Collins, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. VITTER, Mr. TERRY, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. REYNOLDS, Mr. GORDON, Mr. WOLF, Mr. McCotter, Mr. Moran of Virginia, Mr. Lahood, Mr. Shaw, Mrs. Johnson of Connecticut, Mr. PITTS, Mr. REHBERG, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota, Mr. Larson of Connecticut, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Mica, Mr. Green of Wisconsin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Jones of North Carolina, Mr. Crane, Mr. Foley, Mr. Gary G. Miller of California, Mr. Nethercutt, Mr. RENZI, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. ISSA, Mr. OSE, Mr. WELLER, Mr. CAL-VERT, Mr. Hastings of Washington, Mr. Kline, Mr. Smith of Washington, Mr. Knollenberg, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Bishop of Utah, Mr. Frelinghuysen, Mr. Bass, Mr. Burton of Indiana, Mr. Ramstad, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas, Mr. Hall, Mr. THORNBERRY, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. PUT-NAM, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. FORBES, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. KEL-LER, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. BOEH-LERT, Mr. McHugh, Mr. Leach, Mr. Lincoln Diaz-Balart of Florida, Mr. Bonner, Ms. Harris, Mr. Burr, Mr. Weldon of Pennsylvania, Mr. Bachus, Mr. Bradley of New Hampshire, Mr. Gilchrest, Mr.

SAXTON, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. CANNON, Ms. HART, Mr. NEY, Mr. MANZULLO, and Mr. PORTER

Deleted sponsor: Mr. Green of Texas (added June 24, 2004; deleted July 13, 2004)

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed
[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]
[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 22, 2004]

A BILL

To extend the terrorism insurance program of the Department of the Treasury.

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 "Terrorism Insurance
5	Backstop Extension Act of 2004".
6	SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF TERRORISM INSURANCE PROGRAM.
7	(a) Program Years 4 and 5.—Paragraph (11) of sec-
8	tion 102 of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15
9	U.S.C. 6701 note) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
10	lowing new subparagraphs:
11	"(E) Program year 4.—The term 'Pro-
12	gram Year 4' means the period beginning on
13	January 1, 2006 and ending on December 31,
14	2006.

1	"(F) Program year 5.—The term Pro-
2	gram Year 5' means the period beginning on
3	January 1, 2007 and ending on December 31,
4	2007.".
5	(b) Insurer Deductible.—Paragraph (7) of section
6	102 of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C.
7	6701 note) is amended—
8	(1) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as sub-
9	paragraph (G);
10	(2) in subparagraph (D), by striking "and" at
11	$the \ end;$
12	(3) by inserting after subparagraph (D) the fol-
13	lowing new subparagraphs:
14	"(E) for Program Year 4, the value of an
15	insurer's direct earned premiums over the cal-
16	endar year immediately preceding Program Year
17	4, multiplied by 15 percent;
18	"(F) for Program Year 5, the value of an
19	insurer's direct earned premiums over the cal-
20	endar year immediately preceding Program Year
21	4, multiplied by 20 percent; and"; and
22	(4) in subparagraph (G) (as so redesignated by
23	paragraph (1) of this subsection)—
24	(A) by striking "(D)" and inserting "(F)";
25	and

1	(B) by striking "or Program Year 3" and
2	inserting "Program Year 3, Program Year 4, or
3	Program Year 5".
4	(c) Mandatory Availability.—Subsection (c) of sec-
5	tion 103 of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15
6	U.S.C. 6701 note) is amended—
7	(1) by striking all of the matter that precedes
8	subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) and inserting the
9	following:
10	"(c) Mandatory Availability.—During the Pro-
11	gram, each entity that meets the definition of an insurer
12	under section 102—";
13	(2) by striking paragraph (2); and
14	(3) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and (B)
15	as paragraphs (1) and (2) and realigning such para-
16	graphs, as so redesignated, so as to be indented 2 ems
17	from the left margin.
18	(d) Insured Loss Shared Compensation.—Sub-
19	section (e) of section 103 of the Terrorism Risk Insurance
20	Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note) is amended—
21	(1) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking "or Pro-
22	gram Year 3" and inserting ", Program Year 3, Pro-
23	gram Year 4, or Program Year 5";

1	(2) in paragraph (3), by striking "or Program
2	Year 3" and inserting ", Program Year 3, Program
3	Year 4, or Program Year 5";
4	(3) in paragraph (6)—
5	(A) in subparagraph (B), by striking "and"
6	at the end;
7	(B) in subparagraph (C) by striking the pe-
8	riod at the end and inserting a semicolon; and
9	(C) by adding at the end the following new
10	subparagraphs:
11	"(D) for Program Year 4, the lesser of—
12	"(i) \$17,500,000,000; and
13	"(ii) the aggregate amount, for all in-
14	surers, of insured losses during such Pro-
15	gram Year;
16	"(E) for Program Year 5, the lesser of—
17	"(i) \$20,000,000,000; and
18	"(ii) the aggregate amount, for all in-
19	surers, of insured losses during such Pro-
20	gram Year; and"; and
21	(4) in paragraph (7)—
22	(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking "and
23	(C)" and inserting "(C), (D), and (E)"; and

1	(B) in subparagraphs (B) and (C), by strik-
2	ing "or (C)" each place such term appears and
3	inserting " (C) , (D) , or (E) ".
4	(e) Coverage of Group Life Insurance.—
5	(1) In general.—Paragraph (5) of section 102
6	of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15
7	U.S.C. 6701 note) is amended in the matter that pre-
8	cedes subparagraph (A) by inserting "or group life"
9	after "property and casualty".
10	(2) Technical and conforming amend-
11	MENTS.—The Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002
12	(15 U.S.C. 6701 note) is amended—
13	(A) in section 102—
14	(i) in paragraph (1)—
15	(I) in subparagraph (B)(i), by in-
16	serting "or group life insurance" after
17	"workers' compensation"; and
18	(II) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by
19	inserting "and group life insurance"
20	after "property and casualty insur-
21	ance";
22	(ii) in paragraph (4)—
23	(I) by inserting "or for group life
24	insurance" after "property and cas-
25	ualty insurance"; and

1	(II) by striking "paragraph (5)"
2	and inserting "paragraph (6)";
3	(iii) in paragraph (5), by inserting
4	"and group life insurance" after "workers"
5	compensation"; and
6	(iv) in paragraph (6)—
7	(I) in subparagraph (A)(i), by in-
8	serting "property and casualty or
9	group life" after "excess";
10	(II) in subparagraph (B), by in-
11	serting "or group life insurance cov-
12	erage" after "property and casualty
13	insurance coverage";
14	(v) by redesignating paragraphs (5)
15	through (16) as paragraphs (6) through
16	(17), respectively; and
17	(vi) by inserting after paragraph (4),
18	the following new paragraph:
19	"(5) Group life insurance.—The term 'group
20	life insurance' means an insurance contract that pro-
21	vides term life insurance coverage, accidental death
22	coverage, or a combination thereof, for a number of
23	persons under a single contract, on the basis of a
24	group selection of risks.";
25	(B) in section 103—

1	(i) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting
2	"(including a named beneficiary in the case
3	of a group life insurance policy)" before the
4	$second\ comma;$
5	(ii) in subsection (c)—
6	(I) in paragraph (1) (as so redes-
7	ignated by subsection $(c)(3)$ of this sec-
8	tion), by inserting "and group life"
9	after "property and casualty"; and
10	(II) in paragraph (2) (as so redes-
11	ignated by subsection $(c)(3)$ of this sec-
12	tion), by inserting "and group life"
13	after "property and casualty";
14	(iii) in subsection (e)—
15	(I) in paragraph (6), by striking
16	"For" and inserting "Except as pro-
17	vided in subparagraph (F) of this
18	paragraph, for";
19	(II) in paragraph (6), by insert-
20	ing after subparagraph (E) (as added
21	by subsection $(d)(3)(C)$ of this section)
22	the following new subparagraph:
23	"(F) for each of the periods referred to in
24	subparagraphs (A) through (E), the amounts
25	provided under such subparagraphs, as such

1	amounts shall be increased by the Secretary be-
2	fore the expiration of the 90-day period begin-
3	ning on the date of the enactment of the Ter-
4	rorism Insurance Backstop Extension Act of
5	2004, based on the increase in the size of the
6	Program caused by the inclusion of group life in-
7	surance pursuant to such Act, in proportion to
8	the increased premiums involved.";
9	(III) in paragraph $(7)(C)$, by in-
10	serting "or group life insurance" after
11	"workers compensation";
12	(IV) in paragraph $(8)(A)(i)$, by
13	inserting "and group life" after "prop-
14	erty and casualty"; and
15	(V) in paragraph (8), by inserting
16	"or group life" after "property and
17	casualty" each place such term appears
18	$in \ subparagraphs \ (A)(iii) \ and \ (C);$
19	and
20	(iv) by striking subsection (h);
21	(C) in section 105(c), by inserting "or
22	group life" after "property and casualty"; and
23	(D) in section $108(d)(1)$, by inserting "and
24	the group life insurance industry" after "prop-
25	erty and casualty insurance industry".

1	(3) Required rulemaking.—Not later than 90
2	days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
3	Secretary of the Treasury shall issue final regulations
4	to carry out this subsection.
5	(f) Study on Long-Term Solutions.—Section 103
6	of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C.
7	6701 note) is amended by striking subsection (i) and insert-
8	ing the following new subsection:
9	"(h) Study on Long-Term Solutions.—By June 1,
10	2005, the Secretary shall conduct a study and submit a re-
11	port to the Congress on alternatives for expanding the avail-
12	ability and affordability of terrorism insurance after the
13	termination of the Program that do not involve a Federal
14	financial backstop.".
15	(g) Termination of Program.—
16	(1) Termination.—Subsection (a) of section 108
17	of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15
18	U.S.C. 6701 note) is amended by striking "December
19	31, 2005" and inserting "December 31, 2007".
20	(2) Final gao study and report.—Subsection
21	(d) of section 108 of the Terrorism Risk Insurance
22	Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note) is amended by
23	adding at the end the following new paragraph:
24	"(3) Final gao study and report.—The
25	Comptroller General of the United States shall con-

- 1 duct an assessment of the matters referred to in para-
- 2 graph (1) and shall submit a report to the Congress,
- 3 not later than June 30, 2007, on the results of such
- *study.*".

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