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H. R. 5328

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 9, 2006

Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD (for herself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CUMMINGS, and Mr. WYNN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on 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 “Library of Congress
5 Employee Transition Assistance Act of 2006”.

1 **SEC. 2. APPOINTMENTS IN COMPETITIVE SERVICE.**

2 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any em-
3 ployee of the Library of Congress who at any time prior
4 to or after the date of the enactment of this Act has satis-
5 factorily completed a probationary period with the Library
6 under a nontemporary appointment acquires a competitive
7 status for appointment to any position in the competitive
8 service for which the employee possesses the required
9 qualifications. An employee who acquires a competitive
10 status under this section shall not be required to complete
11 a probationary period upon appointment to a position in
12 the competitive service.

13 **SEC. 3. SPECIAL SELECTION PRIORITY UNDER CAREER**
14 **TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

15 (a) SPECIAL SELECTION PRIORITY STATUS.—Not-
16 withstanding any other provision of law, a displaced Li-
17 brary of Congress employee shall be treated as an em-
18 ployee of an Executive Department, Government corpora-
19 tion, or independent establishment who is eligible for a
20 special selection priority under the career transition assist-
21 ance plans administered by the Director of the Office of
22 Personnel Management under subpart F of part 330 of
23 title 5, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor pro-
24 gram under which surplus and displaced Federal employ-
25 ees are given special selection priority for other positions
26 in the Federal Government).

1 (b) DISPLACED LIBRARY OF CONGRESS EMPLOYEE
2 DEFINED.—In this section, a “displaced Library of Con-
3 gress employee” is an individual—

4 (1) who is an employee of the Library of Con-
5 gress or a former employee who was separated from
6 employment with the Library of Congress not more
7 than 90 days prior to the date of the enactment of
8 this Act;

9 (2) who has received a reduction-in-force notice
10 of separation or a notice of proposed removal for de-
11 clining a transfer of function or directed reassign-
12 ment outside of the local commuting area, or who
13 was separated or removed under any such notice;

14 (3) whose appointment as an employee of the
15 Library at the time of receiving the notice described
16 in paragraph (2) or at the time of separation or re-
17 moval as described in paragraph (2) (as the case
18 may be) was without time limit; and

19 (4) whose salary at the time of receiving the no-
20 tice described in paragraph (2) or at the time of sep-
21 aration or removal as described in paragraph (2) (as
22 the case may be) was at grade level GS–15 or below.

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