H. R. 4253

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 9, 2009

Mr. Butterfield introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

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. DOLLAR LIMIT FOR DETERMINING ECONOMI-
- 4 CALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS
- 5 UNDER SMALL BUSINESS ACT.
- 6 (a) Amendment of Section 8(a).—Subparagraph
- 7 (A) of section 8(a)(6) of the Small Business Act (15
- 8 U.S.C.637(a)(6)(A)) is amended by adding the following

- 1 at the end thereof: "In taking into account the net worth
- 2 of a socially disadvantaged individual under this subpara-
- 3 graph for purposes of determining if such individual is
- 4 economically disadvantaged, the Administrator shall con-
- 5 sider a net worth of less than \$978,722 as indicating that
- 6 the individual is economically disadvantaged. For each cal-
- 7 endar year after calendar year 2009, the Administrator
- 8 shall adjust such \$978,722 amount for inflation using the
- 9 Bureau of Labor Statistics inflation calculator.".
- 10 (b) Federal Contract Compliance.—Subpara-
- 11 graph (C) of section 8(d)(3) of the Small Business Act
- 12 (15 U.S.C.637(d)(3)(C)) is amended by adding the fol-
- 13 lowing at the end thereof: "The contractor shall presume
- 14 that a social disadvantage individual is economically dis-
- 15 advantaged if such individual's net worth, as determined
- 16 in accordance with this section is less than \$978,722, ad-
- 17 justed for inflation as provided in subparagraph (A) of
- 18 subsection (a)(6).".

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