H.R. 912

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

February 10, 2009

Received, read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

AN ACT

To amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to clarify the eligibility requirements with respect to airline flight crews.

- 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. SHORT TITLE.

2	This Act may be cited as the "Airline Flight Crew
3	Technical Corrections Act".
4	SEC. 2. LEAVE REQUIREMENT FOR AIRLINE FLIGHT
5	CREWS.
6	(a) Inclusion of Airline Flight Crews.—Sec-
7	tion 101(2) of the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993
8	(29 U.S.C. 2611(2)) is amended by adding at the end the
9	following:
10	"(D) AIRLINE FLIGHT CREWS.—
11	"(i) Determination.—For purposes
12	of determining whether an employee who is
13	a flight attendant or flight crewmember
14	(as such terms are defined in regulations
15	of the Federal Aviation Administration
16	meets the hours of service requirement
17	specified in subparagraph (A)(ii), the em-
18	ployee will be considered to be eligible if—
19	"(I) the employee has worked or
20	been paid for 60 percent of the appli-
21	cable monthly guarantee, or the equiv-
22	alent annualized over the preceding
23	12-month period; and
24	"(II) the employee has worked or
25	been paid for a minimum of 504

1	hours during the preceding 12-month
2	period.
3	"(ii) Definition.—As used in this
4	subparagraph, the term 'applicable month-
5	ly guarantee' means—
6	"(I) for employees described in
7	clause (i) other than employees on re-
8	serve status, the minimum number of
9	hours for which an employer has
10	agreed to schedule such employees for
11	any given month; and
12	"(II) for employees described in
13	clause (i) who are on reserve status,
14	the number of hours for which an em-
15	ployer has agreed to pay such employ-
16	ees on reserve status for any given
17	month,
18	as established in the collective bargaining
19	agreement, or if none exists in the employ-
20	er's policies. Each employer of an employee
21	described in clause (i) shall maintain on
22	file with the Secretary (in accordance with
23	regulations the Secretary may prescribe)
24	the applicable monthly guarantee with re-

1	spect to each category of employee to
2	which such guarantee applies.".
3	(b) Calculation of Leave for Airline Flight
4	CREWS.—Section 102(a) of the Family and Medical Leave
5	Act of 1993 (29 U.S.C. 2612(a)) is amended by adding
6	at the end the following:
7	"(5) CALCULATION OF LEAVE FOR AIRLINE
8	FLIGHT CREWS.—The Secretary may provide, by
9	regulation, a method for calculating the leave de-
10	scribed in paragraph (1) with respect to employees
11	described in section 101(2)(D).".
	Passed the House of Representatives February 9
	2009.
	Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,
	Clerk.