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S. 2725

To provide for fairness for the Federal judiciary.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 3, 2009

Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. GRAHAM) 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Federal Judicial Fair-
5 ness Act of 2009”.

6 **SEC. 2. JUDICIAL COST-OF-LIVING INCREASES.**

7 (a) REPEAL OF STATUTORY REQUIREMENT RELAT-
8 ING TO JUDICIAL SALARIES.—Section 140 of the resolu-
9 tion entitled “A Joint Resolution making further con-
10 tinuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1982, and for
11 other purposes.”, approved December 15, 1981 (Public

1 Law 97–92; 95 Stat. 1200; 28 U.S.C. 461 note), is re-
2 pealed.

3 (b) AUTOMATIC SALARY ADJUSTMENTS.—Section
4 461(a) of title 28, United States Code, is amended to read
5 as follows:

6 “(a) Effective at the beginning of the first applicable
7 pay period commencing on or after the first day of the
8 month in which an adjustment takes effect under sections
9 5303 and 5304 of title 5 in the rates of pay under the
10 General Schedule, each salary rate which is subject to ad-
11 justment under this section shall be adjusted by an
12 amount, rounded to the nearest multiple of \$100 (or, if
13 midway between multiples of \$100, to the next higher mul-
14 tiple of \$100) equal to the percentage of such salary rate
15 which corresponds to the overall average percentage of the
16 adjustment in the rates of pay under the General Sched-
17 ule.”.

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