

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 813

To amend the National Labor Relations Act to apply the protections of the Act to teaching and research assistants.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 2, 2009

Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. FEINGOLD) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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 “Teaching and Research
5 Assistant Collective Bargaining Rights Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION.**

7 Section 2(3) of the National Labor Relations Act (29
8 U.S.C. 152(3)) is amended—

9 (1) by striking “(3)” and inserting “(3)(A)”;

10 and

1 (2) by adding at the end the following:
2 “(B) The term ‘employee’ includes a student enrolled
3 at an institution of higher education (as defined in section
4 101 or 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
5 U.S.C. 1001, 1002), other than an institution of a State
6 or political subdivision) who is performing work for remuneration at the direction of the institution, whether or not
7 the work relates to the student’s course of study.”.

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