

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 729

To amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to exempt the National Institutes of Health from sequestration under section 251A for fiscal year 2013, and to reduce the sequestration by the amount of the exemption.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2013

Mr. McDERMOTT (for himself and Mr. HIGGINS) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on the Budget

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 “Medical Research Pro-
5 tection Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. NIH EXEMPTION FROM SECTION 251A SEQUESTRA-**
 2 **TION FOR FY 2013.**

3 Section 251A of the Balanced Budget and Emer-
 4 gency Deficit Control Act of 1985 is amended by adding
 5 at the end the following new paragraph:

6 “(12) NIH EXEMPTION.—No sequestration or-
 7 dered by the President under this section for fiscal
 8 year 2013 shall apply to the National Institutes of
 9 Health (75–9915–0–1–552).”.

10 **SEC. 3. REDUCTION IN SECTION 251A SEQUESTRATION FOR**
 11 **FY 2013 BY THE AMOUNT OF THE NIH EXEMP-**
 12 **TION.**

13 Section 251A(3) of the Balanced Budget and Emer-
 14 gency Deficit Control Act of 1985 is amended by striking
 15 “and” at the end of subparagraph (D), by striking the
 16 period and inserting “; and” at the end of subparagraph
 17 (E), and by adding at the end the following new subpara-
 18 graph:

19 “(F) for fiscal year 2013, further reducing
 20 the amount calculated under subparagraphs (A)
 21 through (D) by the amount that the National
 22 Institutes of Health would have been reduced if
 23 it were not exempt from sequestration.”.

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