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H. R. 3139

To amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to expand coverage under such Act to public employees.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 1, 2025

Mr. DELUZIO (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Ms. BUDZINSKI, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. MAGAZINER, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. CASAR, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. POCAN, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. MRVAN, Ms. NORTON, Ms. ADAMS, Ms. ANSARI, Mrs. SYKES, and Ms. OMAR) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Workforce

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 “Public Service Worker
5 Protection Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. COVERAGE OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3(5) of the Occupational
8 Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C. 652(5)) is

1 amended by striking “but does not include” and all that
2 follows through the period at the end and inserting “in-
3 cluding the United States, a State, or a political subdivi-
4 sion of a State.”.

5 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this Act
6 shall be construed to affect the application of section 18
7 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29
8 U.S.C. 667).

9 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
11 this Act and the amendment made by this Act, shall
12 take effect on the date that is 90 days after the date
13 of enactment of this Act.

14 (2) EXCEPTION FOR STATES AND POLITICAL
15 SUBDIVISIONS.—This Act, and the amendments
16 made by this Act, shall take effect on the date that
17 is 36 months after the date of enactment of this Act
18 with respect to a workplace of a State, or a political
19 subdivision of a State, that does not have a State
20 plan approved under section 18 of the Occupational
21 Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C. 667).

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