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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science,
and Transportation

AN ACT

To promote and support management reorganization of the
National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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 “National Aeronautics
5 and Space Administration Management Reorganization
6 Act of 1993”.

7 **SEC. 2. SEPARATION PAY.**

8 (a) For the purpose of this section—

9 (1) the term “Administrator” means the Ad-
10 ministrator of the National Aeronautics and Space
11 Administration; and

1 (2) the term “employee” means an employee of
2 the National Aeronautics and Space Administration
3 serving under an appointment without time limita-
4 tion, who has been currently employed for a continu-
5 ous period of at least 12 months, except that such
6 term does not include—

7 (A) a reemployed annuitant under sub-
8 chapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of title
9 5, United States Code, or another retirement
10 system for employees of the Government; or

11 (B) an employee having a disability on the
12 basis of which such employee is or would be eli-
13 gible for disability retirement under any of the
14 retirement systems referred to in subparagraph

15 (A).

16 (b) In order to avoid or minimize the need for invol-
17 untary separations due to a reduction in force, installation
18 closure, reorganization, transfer of function, or other simi-
19 lar action affecting the National Aeronautics and Space
20 Administration, the Administrator shall establish a pro-
21 gram under which separation pay may be offered to en-
22 courage eligible employees to separate from service volun-
23 tarily (whether by retirement or resignation).

24 (c) Under the program, separation pay may be
25 offered only—

1 (1) with the prior written consent of the Ad-
2 ministrator; and

3 (2) to employees within such occupational
4 groups or geographic locations, or subject to such
5 other similar limitations or conditions, as the Ad-
6 ministrator may require.

7 (d) Such separation pay—

8 (1) shall be paid in a lump sum; and

9 (2) shall be equal to the lesser of—

10 (A) an amount equal to the amount the
11 employee would be entitled to receive under sec-
12 tion 5595(c) of title 5, United States Code, if
13 the employee were entitled to payment under
14 such section; or

15 (B) \$25,000;

16 (3) shall not be a basis for payment, and shall
17 not be included in the computation, of any other
18 type of Government benefit; and

19 (4) shall not be taken into account for purposes
20 of determining the amount of any severance pay to
21 which an individual may be entitled under section
22 5595 of title 5, United States Code, based on any
23 other separation.

1 (e)(1) No amount shall be payable under this section
2 based on any separation occurring after September 30,
3 1995.

4 (2) No amount shall be payable under this section
5 for any member in the Senior Executive Service based on
6 any separation occurring after September 30, 1993.

7 (f) An employee who receives separation pay under
8 such program may not be reemployed by the National Aer-
9 onautics and Space Administration for the 12-month pe-
10 riod beginning on the effective date of the employee's sepa-
11 ration, unless the employee agrees to repay to the United
12 States an amount equal to such separation pay multiplied
13 by the proportion of such 12-month period during which
14 the employee will be so reemployed.

15 (g) The Administrator shall prescribe such regula-
16 tions as may be necessary to carry out this section.

17 **SEC. 3. AMOUNTS TO REMAIN AVAILABLE.**

18 Amounts appropriated after August 1, 1993, for car-
19 rying out this Act shall be from sums otherwise authorized
20 to be appropriated for research and program management
21 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration,
22 and may remain available until expended.

Passed the House of Representatives August 6,
1993.

Attest: DONNALD K. ANDERSON,
Clerk.