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To require the Secretary of Labor to establish cost-of-living indexes on a regional basis.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NADLER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

A BILL

To require the Secretary of Labor to establish cost-of-living indexes on a regional basis.

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. REGIONAL COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES.**

4 (a) GENERAL RULE.—Not later than the date 1 year
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
6 of Labor shall—

7 (1) establish a system for determining cost-of-
8 living indexes separately for—

9 (A) each statistical area in the United
10 States, and

1 (B) each congressional district, and

2 (2) determine and publish the initial cost-of-liv-
3 ing index for each such area and district.

4 (b) METHODOLOGY.—The cost-of-living index deter-
5 mined under subsection (a) for any statistical area or con-
6 gressional district for any calendar year shall be based on
7 the average market prices for the area or district for the
8 12-month period ending on August 31 of such calendar
9 year. The market prices taken into account under the pre-
10 ceding sentence shall be selected and used under the same
11 methodology as is used by the Secretary of Labor in devel-
12 oping the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.

13 (c) STATISTICAL AREA.—For purposes of this sec-
14 tion, the term “statistical area” means—

15 (1) any metropolitan statistical area as defined
16 by the Secretary of Commerce, and

17 (2) the portion of any State not within a metro-
18 politan statistical area as so defined.

19 (d) CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.—For purposes of
20 this section, the term “congressional district” includes—

21 (1) any State represented by a Representative
22 at Large;

23 (2) the District of Columbia; and

24 (3) any possession of the United States.

1 (e) TREATMENT OF POSSESSIONS.—For purposes of
2 this section, the terms “United States” and “State” in-
3 clude any possession of the United States.

4 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
5 are authorized to be appropriated \$1,000,000 to carry out
6 the purposes of this section.

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