

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2882

AN ACT

To provide for the expedited payment of certain benefits for a public safety officer who was killed or suffered a catastrophic injury as a direct and proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line of duty in connection with the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

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. EXPEDITED PAYMENT FOR HEROIC PUBLIC**
4 **SAFETY OFFICERS.**

5 Notwithstanding the limitations of subsection (b) of
6 section 1201 or the provisions of subsections (c), (d), and
7 (e) of such section or section 1202 of title I of the Omni-
8 bus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42
9 U.S.C. 3796, 3796a), upon certification by a public agency
10 that a public safety officer employed by such agency was
11 killed or suffered a catastrophic injury as a direct and
12 proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line
13 of duty as described in section 1201(a) of such Act in con-
14 nection with the rescue or recovery efforts related to the
15 terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, the Director of
16 the Bureau of Justice Assistance shall authorize payment
17 to qualified beneficiaries, said payment to be made not
18 later than 30 days after receipt of such certification, bene-
19 fits described under subpart 1 of part L of such Act (42
20 U.S.C. 3796 et seq.).

21 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

22 For purposes of this Act, the terms “catastrophic in-
23 jury”, “public agency”, and “public safety officer” have
24 the same meanings given such terms in section 1204 of

- 1 title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act
- 2 of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3796b).

Passed the House of Representatives September 13,
2001.

Attest:

Clerk.

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