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1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 645

For the relief of Lucille White, Gerald J. White, Gary White, and Sara White.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 26, 1993

Mr. KANJORSKI introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

For the relief of Lucille White, Gerald J. White, Gary White, and Sara White.

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. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM.**

4 The Secretary of the Treasury shall pay to Lucille  
5 White of Laflin, Pennsylvania, and her children, Gerald  
6 J. White, Gary White, and Sara White, out of any funds  
7 not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$992,000 in full  
8 and final satisfaction of the family's claims against the  
9 United States arising from the death of Gerald White, her  
10 late husband and her children's late father, as a result

1 of a construction accident at Scranton, Pennsylvania, on  
2 May 21, 1982, while Mr. White was working on a project  
3 for the Department of Interior. This sum is equivalent to  
4 the value of a settlement reached between Lucille White  
5 and the United States in January 1985 which was later  
6 vacated when the United States Attorney who had nego-  
7 tiated the settlement was found incompetent and unau-  
8 thorized to settle the matter.

9 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON ATTORNEY'S FEES.**

10 Not more than 10 percent of the payment specified  
11 in the first section of this Act shall be paid to or received  
12 by any agent or attorney as consideration for any services  
13 rendered in connection with such payment, including the  
14 payment of court costs or other expenses, any contract to  
15 the contrary notwithstanding. Violation of this section  
16 shall be deemed a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of  
17 not more than \$1,000.

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