

106<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 5562

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## AN ACT

To amend title 28, United States Code, to allow a judge to whom a case is transferred to retain jurisdiction over certain multidistrict litigation cases for trial.

1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2        *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Multidistrict Litigation  
3 Act of 2000”.

4 **SEC. 2. MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION.**

5 Section 1407 of title 28, United States Code, is  
6 amended—

7 (1) in the third sentence of subsection (a), by  
8 inserting “or ordered transferred to the transferee  
9 or other district under subsection (i)” after “termi-  
10 nated”; and

11 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
12 section:

13 “(i)(1) Subject to paragraph (2), any action trans-  
14 ferred under this section by the panel may be transferred  
15 for trial purposes, by the judge or judges of the transferee  
16 district to whom the action was assigned, to the transferee  
17 or other district in the interest of justice and for the con-  
18 venience of the parties and witnesses.

19 “(2) Any action transferred for trial purposes under  
20 paragraph (1) shall be remanded by the panel for the de-  
21 termination of compensatory damages to the district court  
22 from which it was transferred, unless the court to which  
23 the action has been transferred for trial purposes also  
24 finds, for the convenience of the parties and witnesses and  
25 in the interests of justice, that the action should be re-  
26 tained for the determination of compensatory damages.”.

1 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2       The amendments made by section 2 shall apply to  
3 any civil action pending on or brought on or after the date  
4 of the enactment of this Act.

      Passed the House of Representatives December 15,  
2000.

Attest:

*Clerk.*



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