

S. 1107

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Judicial Survivors Protection Act of 2009”.

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) The term “judicial official” refers to incumbent officials defined under section 376(a) of title 28, United States Code.

(2) The term “Judicial Survivors’ Annuities Fund” means the fund established under section 3 of the Judicial Survivors’ Annuities Reform Act (28 U.S.C. 376 note; Public Law 94-554; 90 Stat. 2611).

(3) The term “Judicial Survivors’ Annuities System” means the program established under section 376 of title 28, United States Code.

SEC. 3. PERSONS NOT CURRENTLY PARTICIPATING IN THE JUDICIAL SURVIVORS’ ANNUITIES SYSTEM.

(a) ELECTION OF JUDICIAL SURVIVORS’ ANNUITIES SYSTEM COVERAGE.—An eligible judicial official may elect to participate in the Judicial Survivors’ Annuities System during the open enrollment period specified in subsection (d).

(b) MANNER OF MAKING ELECTIONS.—An election under this section shall be made in writing, signed by the person making the election, and received by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts before the end of the open enrollment period.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE FOR ELECTIONS.—Any such election shall be effective as of the first day of the first calendar month following the month in which the election is received by the Director.

(d) OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD DEFINED.—The open enrollment period under this section is the 6-month period beginning 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 4. JUDICIAL OFFICERS’ CONTRIBUTIONS FOR OPEN ENROLLMENT ELECTION.

(a) CONTRIBUTION RATE.—Every active judicial official who files a written notification of his or her intention to participate in the Judicial Survivors’ Annuities System during the open enrollment period shall be deemed thereby to consent and agree to having deducted from his or her salary a sum equal to 2.75 percent of that salary or a sum equal to 3.5 percent of his or her retirement salary, except that the deduction from any retirement salary—

(1) of a justice or judge of the United States retired from regular active service under section 371(b) or 372(a) of title 28, United States Code;

(2) of a judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims retired under section 178 of title 28, United States Code; or

(3) of a judicial official on recall under section 155(b), 373(c)(4), 375, or 636(h) of title 28, United States Code,

shall be an amount equal to 2.75 percent of retirement salary.

(b) CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE CREDITED TO JUDICIAL SURVIVORS’ ANNUITIES FUND.—Contributions made under subsection (a) shall be credited to the Judicial Survivors’ Annuities Fund.

SEC. 5. DEPOSIT FOR PRIOR CREDITABLE SERVICE.

(a) LUMP SUM DEPOSIT.—Any judicial official who files a written notification of his or her intention to participate in the Judicial Survivors’ Annuities System during the open enrollment period may make a deposit equaling 2.75 percent of salary, plus 3 percent annual, compounded interest, for the last 18 months of prior service, to receive the credit

for prior judicial service required for immediate coverage and protection of the official’s survivors. Any such deposit shall be made on or before the closure of the open enrollment period.

(b) DEPOSITS TO BE CREDITED TO JUDICIAL SURVIVORS’ ANNUITIES FUND.—Deposits made under subsection (a) shall be credited to the Judicial Survivors’ Annuities Fund.

SEC. 6. VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO ENLARGE SURVIVORS’ ANNUITY.

Section 376 of title 28, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(y) For each year of Federal judicial service completed, judicial officials who are enrolled in the Judicial Survivors’ Annuities System on the date of enactment of the Judicial Survivors Protection Act of 2009 may purchase, in 3-month increments, up to an additional year of service credit, under the terms set forth in this section. In the case of judicial officials who elect to enroll in the Judicial Survivors’ Annuities System during the statutory open enrollment period authorized under the Judicial Survivors Protection Act of 2009, for each year of Federal judicial service completed, such an official may purchase, in 3-month increments, up to an additional year of service credit for each year of Federal judicial service completed, under the terms set forth in section 4(a) of that Act.”.

SEC. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act, including the amendment made by section 6, shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act.

FOREIGN EVIDENCE REQUEST EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2009

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. 1289, and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1289) to improve title 18 of the United States Code.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (S. 1289) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 1289

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Foreign Evidence Request Efficiency Act of 2009”.

SEC. 2. IMPROVEMENTS TO TITLE 18.

Title 18 of the United States Code is amended—

(1) in section 2703—

(A) in subsection (a), by striking “by a court with jurisdiction over the offense under investigation or an equivalent State

warrant” and inserting “(or, in the case of a State court, issued using State warrant procedures) by a court of competent jurisdiction”;

(B) in subsection (b)(1)(A), by striking “by a court with jurisdiction over the offense under investigation or an equivalent State warrant” and inserting “(or, in the case of a State court, issued using State warrant procedures) by a court of competent jurisdiction”;

(C) in subsection (c)(1)(A), by striking “by a court with jurisdiction over the offense under investigation or an equivalent State warrant” and inserting “(or, in the case of a State court, issued using State warrant procedures) by a court of competent jurisdiction”;

(2) in section 2711(3), by striking “has the meaning assigned by section 3127, and includes any Federal court within that definition, without geographic limitation; and” and inserting the following: “includes—

“(A) any district court of the United States (including a magistrate judge of such a court) or any United States court of appeals that—

“(i) has jurisdiction over the offense being investigated;

“(ii) is in or for a district in which the provider of a wire or electronic communication service is located or in which the wire or electronic communications, records, or other information are stored; or

“(iii) is acting on a request for foreign assistance pursuant to section 3512 of this title; or

“(B) a court of general criminal jurisdiction of a State authorized by the law of that State to issue search warrants; and”;

(3) in section 3127(2)(A), by striking “having jurisdiction over the offense being investigated;” and inserting the following: “that—

“(i) has jurisdiction over the offense being investigated;

“(ii) is in or for a district in which the provider of a wire or electronic communication service is located;

“(iii) is in or for a district in which a landlord, custodian, or other person subject to subsections (a) or (b) of section 3124 of this title is located; or

“(iv) is acting on a request for foreign assistance pursuant to section 3512 of this title;”;

(4) in chapter 223, by adding at the end the following:

“§ 3512. Foreign requests for assistance in criminal investigations and prosecutions

“(a) EXECUTION OF REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Upon application, duly authorized by an appropriate official of the Department of Justice, of an attorney for the Government, a Federal judge may issue such orders as may be necessary to execute a request from a foreign authority for assistance in the investigation or prosecution of criminal offenses, or in proceedings related to the prosecution of criminal offenses, including proceedings regarding forfeiture, sentencing, and restitution.

“(2) SCOPE OF ORDERS.—Any order issued by a Federal judge pursuant to paragraph (1) may include the issuance of—

“(A) a search warrant, as provided under Rule 41 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure;

“(B) a warrant or order for contents of stored wire or electronic communications or for records related thereto, as provided under section 2703 of this title;

“(C) an order for a pen register or trap and trace device as provided under section 3123 of this title; or

“(D) an order requiring the appearance of a person for the purpose of providing testimony or a statement, or requiring the production of documents or other things, or both.

“(b) APPOINTMENT OF PERSONS TO TAKE TESTIMONY OR STATEMENTS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—In response to an application for execution of a request from a foreign authority as described under subsection (a), a Federal judge may also issue an order appointing a person to direct the taking of testimony or statements or of the production of documents or other things, or both.

“(2) AUTHORITY OF APPOINTED PERSON.—Any person appointed under an order issued pursuant to paragraph (1) may—

“(A) issue orders requiring the appearance of a person, or the production of documents or other things, or both;

“(B) administer any necessary oath; and

“(C) take testimony or statements and receive documents or other things.

“(c) FILING OF REQUESTS.—Except as provided under subsection (d), an application for execution of a request from a foreign authority under this section may be filed—

“(1) in the district in which a person who may be required to appear resides or is located or in which the documents or things to be produced are located;

“(2) in cases in which the request seeks the appearance of persons or production of documents or things that may be located in multiple districts, in any one of the districts in which such a person, documents, or things may be located; or

“(3) in any case, the district in which a related Federal criminal investigation or prosecution is being conducted, or in the District of Columbia.

“(d) SEARCH WARRANT LIMITATION.—An application for execution of a request for a search warrant from a foreign authority under this section, other than an application for a warrant issued as provided under section 2703 of this title, shall be filed in the district in which the place or person to be searched is located.

“(e) SEARCH WARRANT STANDARD.—A Federal judge may issue a search warrant under this section only if the foreign offense for which the evidence is sought involves conduct that, if committed in the United States, would be considered an offense punishable by imprisonment for more than one year under Federal or State law.

“(f) SERVICE OF ORDER OR WARRANT.—Except as provided under subsection (d), an order or warrant issued pursuant to this section may be served or executed in any place in the United States.

“(g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude any foreign authority or an interested person from obtaining assistance in a criminal investigation or prosecution pursuant to section 1782 of title 28, United States Code.

“(h) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the following definitions shall apply:

“(1) FEDERAL JUDGE.—The terms ‘Federal judge’ and ‘attorney for the Government’ have the meaning given such terms for the purposes of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

“(2) FOREIGN AUTHORITY.—The term ‘foreign authority’ means a foreign judicial authority, a foreign authority responsible for the investigation or prosecution of criminal offenses or for proceedings related to the prosecution of criminal offenses, or an authority designated as a competent authority or central authority for the purpose of making requests for assistance pursuant to an agreement or treaty with the United States regarding assistance in criminal matters.”; and

(5) in the table of sections for chapter 223, by adding at the end the following:

“3512. Foreign requests for assistance in criminal investigations and prosecutions.”.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Calendars Nos. 195, 196, 261, 262, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, and 279; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc; the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc; that no further motions be in order, that any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD, the President of the United States be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed, en bloc, are as follows:

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Peter Silva Silva, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Victor M. Mendez, of Arizona, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Raphael William Bostic, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

David H. Stevens, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Christopher William Dell, of New Jersey, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Kosovo.

Charles H. Rivkin, of California, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to France, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Monaco.

Louis B. Susman, of Illinois, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Laurie Susan Fulton, of Virginia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Denmark.

Timothy J. Roemer, of Indiana, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to India.

Gordon Gray, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Tunisia.

Richard J. Schmierer, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Sultanate of Oman.

Mark Henry Gitenstein, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary

and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Romania.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Phyllis Corrine Borzi, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Nicole Lurie, of Maryland, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefor as provided by law and regulations, and to be Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Department of Health and Human Services.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Gordon S. Heddell, of the District of Columbia, to be Inspector General, Department of Defense.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now resume legislative session.

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, JULY 13, 2009

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 11 a.m. on Monday, July 13; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 89, S. 1390, the Department of Defense Authorization bill, as provided for under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. On Monday, the Senate will begin consideration of the Defense authorization bill. I expect next week to be a busy week as we work through amendments to this bill.

Under a previous order, at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, the Senate will turn to executive session to consider the nomination of Robert M. Groves to be Director of the Census. That vote will occur at 5:30.

As previously announced, there will be no rollcall votes after 2 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 11 A.M., MONDAY, JULY 13, 2009

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 1:37 p.m., adjourned until Monday, July 13, 2009, at 11 a.m.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate, Friday, July 10, 2009:

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

PETER SILVA SILVA, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.