

AMENDMENT NO. _____

Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to award 3-year grants to fire departments of a State to hire additional fire-fighting personnel.

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S. 2452

To establish the Department of National Homeland Security and the National Office for Combating Terrorism.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mrs. CARNAHAN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS) to the amendment (No. _____) proposed by Mr. LIEBERMAN

Viz:

1 On page 100, between lines 19 and 20, insert the fol-
2 lowing:

3 **SEC. 164. GRANTS FOR FIREFIGHTING PERSONNEL.**

4 (a) Section 33 of the Federal Fire Prevention and
5 Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 2229) is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating subsections (c), (d), and
7 (e) as subsections (d), (e), and (f), respectively;

1 (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(c) PERSONNEL GRANTS.—

4 “(1) EXCLUSION.—Grants awarded under sub-
5 section (b) to hire ‘employees engaged in fire protec-
6 tion’, as that term is defined in section 3 of the Fair
7 Labor Standards Act (29 U.S.C. 203), shall not be
8 subject to the provisions of paragraphs (10) or (11)
9 of subsection (b).

10 “(2) DURATION.—Grants awarded under para-
11 graph (1) shall be for a 3-year period.

12 “(3) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The total amount of
13 grants awarded under paragraph (1) shall not ex-
14 ceed \$100,000 per firefighter, indexed for inflation,
15 over the 3-year grant period.

16 “(4) FEDERAL SHARE.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sub-
18 section (b)(6), the Federal share of a grant
19 under paragraph (1) shall not exceed 75 per-
20 cent of the total salary and benefits cost for ad-
21 ditional firefighters hired.

22 “(B) WAIVER.—The Director may waive
23 the 25 percent non-Federal match under sub-
24 paragraph (A) for a jurisdiction of 50,000 or
25 fewer residents or in cases of extreme hardship.

1 “(5) APPLICATION.—In addition to the infor-
2 mation under subsection (b)(5), an application for a
3 grant under paragraph (1), shall include—

4 “(A) an explanation for the need for Fed-
5 eral assistance; and

6 “(B) specific plans for obtaining necessary
7 support to retain the position following the con-
8 clusion of Federal support.

9 “(6) MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.—Grants
10 awarded under paragraph (1) shall only be used to
11 pay the salaries and benefits of additional fire-
12 fighting personnel, and shall not be used to supplant
13 funding allocated for personnel from State and local
14 sources.”; and

15 (3) in subsection (f) (as redesignated by para-
16 graph (1)), by adding at the end the following:

17 “(3) \$1,000,000,000 for each of fiscal years
18 2003 and 2004, to be used only for grants under
19 subsection (c).”.