109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 5148

To ensure that at least one-half of the 12 weeks of parental leave made available to a Federal employee under subchapter V of chapter 63 of title 5, United States Code, shall be paid leave.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 6, 2006

Mrs. Maloney (for herself, Mr. Tom Davis of Virginia, and Mr. Hoyer) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

A BILL

- To ensure that at least one-half of the 12 weeks of parental leave made available to a Federal employee under subchapter V of chapter 63 of title 5, United States Code, shall be paid leave.
 - 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. SHORT TITLE.
 - 4 This Act may be cited as the "Federal Employees
 - 5 Paid Parental Leave Act of 2006".
 - 6 SEC. 2. PAID PARENTAL LEAVE.
 - 7 Subsection (d) of section 6382 of title 5, United
 - 8 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

1 "(d)(1) An employee may elect to substitute for any leave without pay under subparagraph (A), (B), (C), or 3 (D) of subsection (a)(1) any paid leave which is available to such employee for that purpose. "(2) The paid leave that is available to an employee 5 6 for purposes of paragraph (1) is— 7 "(A) to the extent that subparagraph (A) or 8 (B) of subsection (a)(1) is the basis for the entitle-9 ment to leave under this subchapter— "(i) 6 administrative workweeks of paid 10 11 leave under this clause in connection with the 12 birth or placement involved; and 13 "(ii) any annual or sick leave accrued or 14 accumulated by such employee under sub-15 chapter I; and "(B) to the extent that subparagraph (C) or 16 17 (D) of subsection (a)(1) is the basis for the entitle-18 ment to leave under this subchapter, any annual or 19 sick leave accrued or accumulated by such employee 20 under subchapter I. 21 "(3) Nothing in this subchapter shall be considered 22 to require— "(A) that an employing agency provide paid 23 24 sick leave in any situation in which such employing

- 1 agency would not normally be required to provide 2 such leave; or
- "(B) in a circumstance to which subparagraph
 (A) of paragraph (2) applies, that an employee first
 use all or any portion of the leave described in
 clause (ii) of such subparagraph before being allowed to use leave described in clause (i) of such
 subparagraph.
- 9 "(4) Leave under paragraph (2)(A)(i)—
 - "(A) shall be payable from any appropriation or fund available for salaries or expenses for positions within the employing agency;
- "(B) shall not be considered to be annual or vacation leave for purposes of section 5551 or 5552 or for any other purpose; and
- "(C) if not used by the employee before the end of the 12-month period (as referred to in subsection (a)(1)) to which it relates, shall not accumulate for any subsequent use.
- "(5) The Office shall prescribe any regulations nec-21 essary to carry out this subsection, including, subject to 22 paragraph (3)(B), the manner in which an employee may 23 designate any day or other period as to which such em-24 ployee wishes to use leave described in paragraph
- 25 (2)(A)(i).".

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1 SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- 2 The amendments made by this Act shall not be effec-
- 3 tive with respect to any birth or placement occurring be-
- 4 fore the end of the 6-month period beginning on the date

5 of the enactment of this Act.

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