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Action:

Copyright Royalty Tribunal: Senate passed S. 1272, to amend chapter 8 of title 17, United States Code, to reduce the number of Commissioners on the Copyright Royalty Tribunal, to provide for lapsed terms of such Commissioners, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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COPYRIGHT TRIBUNAL REFORM AND MISCELLANEOUS PAY ACT

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1272) to amend chapter 8 of title 17, United States Code, to reduce the number of Commissioners on the Copyright Royalty Tribunal, to provide for lapsed terms of such Commissioners, and for other purposes, which had been reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION . SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Copyright Royalty Tribunal Reform and Miscellaneous Pay Act of 1989".

SEC. 2. COPYRIGHT ROYALTY TRIBUNAL AND COPYRIGHT OFFICE.

(a) MEMBERSHIP OF THE COPYRIGHT ROYALTY TRIBUNAL; LAPSED TERMS; PAY.—Section 802(a) of title 17, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"(a) The Tribunal shall be composed of three Commissioners appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The term of office of any individual appointed as a Commissioner shall be seven years, except that a Commissioner may serve after the expiration of his or her term until a successor has taken office. Each Commissioner shall be compensated at the rate of pay in effect for Level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of title 5.".

(b) COPYRIGHT OFFICE.—Section 701 of title 17, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(e) The Register of Copyrights shall be compensated at the rate of pay in effect for level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5. The Librarian of Congress shall establish not more than four positions for Associate Registers of Copyrights, in accordance with the recommendations of the Register of Copyrights. The Librarian shall make appointments to such positions after consultation with the Register of Copyrights. Each Associate Register of Copyrights shall be paid at a rate not to exceed the maximum annual rate of basic pay payable for GS-18 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5.".

SEC. 3. PAY RATES FOR PAROLE COMMISSION.

(a) CHAIRMAN.—Section 5315 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"Chairman, United States Parole Commission.".

(b) OTHER COMMISSIONERS.—Section 5316 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"Commissioners, United States Parole Commission (8).".

SEC. 4. PAY RATES FOR DEPUTY AND ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS.

Section 5316 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"Deputy Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

"Assistant Commissioner for Patents.

"Assistant Commissioner for Trademarks.".

SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE; BUDGET ACT.

(a) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this Act shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) BUDGET ACT.—Any new spending authority (within the meaning of section 401 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974) which is provided under this Act shall be effective for any fiscal year only to the extent or in such amounts as are provided in appropriations Acts.

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.