

117TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1296

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 24, 2021

Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN (for herself and Mr. PETERS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

A BILL

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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. CASH AWARD FOR DRUG ENFORCEMENT AD-**
4 **MINISTRATION EMPLOYEES WITH FOREIGN**
5 **LANGUAGE SKILLS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 5761 of title 5, United
7 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

1 **“§ 5761. Foreign language proficiency pay awards for**
2 **the Federal Bureau of Investigation and**
3 **the Drug Enforcement Administration**

4 “The Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
5 or the Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Adminis-
6 tration may, under regulations prescribed by the Director
7 or the Administrator (as the case may be), pay a cash
8 award of up to 10 percent of basic pay to any Bureau
9 or Administration employee (as the case may be) who
10 maintains proficiency in a language or languages critical
11 to the mission or who uses one or more foreign languages
12 in the performance of official duties.”.

13 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
14 for subchapter IV of chapter 57 of title 5, United States
15 Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section
16 5761 and inserting the following:

“5761. Foreign language proficiency pay awards for the Federal Bureau of In-
vestigation and the Drug Enforcement Administration.”.

