

One Hundred Sixth Congress  
of the  
United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday,  
the sixth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine*

An Act

To authorize a cost of living adjustment in the pay of administrative law judges.

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

**SECTION 1. PAY OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES.**

Section 5372(b) of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “(A)” after “(1)” and by striking all after the first sentence and inserting the following:

“(B) Within level AL-3, there shall be 6 rates of basic pay, designated as AL-3, rates A through F, respectively. Level AL-2 and level AL-1 shall each have 1 rate of basic pay.

“(C) The rate of basic pay for AL-3, rate A, may not be less than 65 percent of the rate of basic pay for level IV of the Executive Schedule, and the rate of basic pay for AL-1 may not exceed the rate for level IV of the Executive Schedule.”;

(2) in paragraph (3)(A), by striking “upon” each time it appears and inserting “at the beginning of the next pay period following”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(4) Subject to paragraph (1), effective at the beginning of the first applicable pay period commencing on or after the first day of the month in which an adjustment takes effect under section 5303 in the rates of basic pay under the General Schedule, each

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rate of basic pay for administrative law judges shall be adjusted by an amount determined by the President to be appropriate.”.

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

*Vice President of the United States and  
President of the Senate.*