

106TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 5643

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 6, 2000

Mr. BACHUS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Government Reform

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## 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. CLARIFICATION OF AUTHORITY OF ADMINIS-**  
2 **TRATOR OF GENERAL SERVICES TO PROVIDE**  
3 **SERVICES AND FACILITIES TO PRESIDENTS-**  
4 **ELECT AND VICE-PRESIDENTS-ELECT.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3(c) of the Presidential  
6 Transition Act of 1963 (3 U.S.C. 102 note) is amended  
7 to read as follows:

8 “(c) In this Act the terms ‘President-elect’ and ‘Vice-  
9 President-elect’ mean—

10 “(1) subject to paragraph (2), such individuals  
11 as are the apparent successful candidates for the of-  
12 fice of President and Vice President, respectively, as  
13 ascertained by the Administrator following the gen-  
14 eral elections held to determine the electors of Presi-  
15 dent and Vice President in accordance with sections  
16 1 and 2 of title 3, United States Code; or

17 “(2) the individuals who, based on the certifi-  
18 cations by States and the District of Columbia of  
19 the successful candidates for the office of President  
20 and Vice President as ascertained in such general  
21 elections, would have a majority of the whole num-  
22 ber of the votes of electors to be appointed by all  
23 States and the District of Columbia under article II  
24 of the Constitution and voting under article XII of  
25 the Constitution if all of the electors that may be ap-  
26 pointed by a State or the District of Columbia voted

1       for the individuals so certified by the State or the  
2       District of Columbia, respectively.”.

3       (b) APPLICATION.—The amendment made by sub-  
4       section (a) shall apply with respect to each general election  
5       held on or after November 7, 2000.

6       (c) REIMBURSEMENT.—The Administrator of Gen-  
7       eral Services shall use amounts available to carry out sec-  
8       tion 3 of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (3  
9       U.S.C. 102 note) for fiscal year 2001 to reimburse costs  
10      incurred after November 26, 2000, on behalf of a Presi-  
11      dent-elect or Vice-President-elect for services and facilities  
12      described in that section.

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