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**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES**

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Mr. METZENBAUM (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mr. PELL)  
introduced the following bill; which was read the first time

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Baseball Fans Protec-  
3 tion Act of 1994”.

4 **SEC. 2. APPLICATION OF THE ANTITRUST LAWS TO MAJOR**  
5 **LEAGUE BASEBALL IN EXCEPTIONAL AND EX-**  
6 **TRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES.**

7 The Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. 12 et seq.) is amended  
8 by adding at the end the following new section:

9 “SEC. 27. (a) IN GENERAL.—In the event that a uni-  
10 lateral term or condition is imposed by any party that has  
11 been subject to an agreement between the owners of major  
12 league baseball and the labor organization representing  
13 the players of major league baseball, the antitrust laws  
14 shall apply to that term or condition.

15 “(b) TERMINATION OF EFFECTIVENESS.—Sub-  
16 section (a) shall cease to be effective upon the mutual  
17 adoption of an agreement between the owners of major  
18 league baseball and the labor organization representing  
19 the players of major league baseball to replace the basic  
20 agreement between the two parties that expired on Decem-  
21 ber 31, 1993, but subsection (a) shall continue to apply  
22 to conduct occurring prior to the adoption of such an  
23 agreement.

24 “(c) DEFINITION.—In this section, ‘term or condi-  
25 tion’ does not include a strike or a lockout.”.