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H. R. 1268

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 24, 1999

Mr. GARY MILLER of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Social Security Invest-
5 ments Act of 1999”.

1 **SEC. 2. INVESTMENT OF THE FEDERAL OLD-AGE AND SUR-**
2 **VIVORS INSURANCE TRUST FUND AND THE**
3 **FEDERAL DISABILITY INSURANCE TRUST**
4 **FUND.**

5 (a) INVESTMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY TRUST
6 FUNDS SOLELY IN MARKETABLE OBLIGATIONS OF THE
7 UNITED STATES.—Section 201(d) of the Social Security
8 Act (42 U.S.C. 401(d)) is amended to read as follows:

9 “(d) It shall be the duty of the Managing Trustee
10 to invest such portion of the Trust Funds as is not, in
11 his judgment, required to meet current withdrawals. Such
12 investments may be made only in marketable obligations
13 consisting of interest-bearing obligations of the United
14 States or obligations guaranteed as to both principal and
15 interest by the United States. For such purpose, such obli-
16 gations may be acquired on original issue at the issue price
17 or by purchase of outstanding obligations at the market
18 price.”.

19 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 201(e) of
20 such Act (42 U.S.C. 401(e)) is amended by striking “(ex-
21 cept public-debt obligations issued exclusively to the Trust
22 Funds)”.

1 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE; TREATMENT OF CURRENT OBLI-**
2 **GATIONS.**

3 (a) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
4 section 2 shall apply with respect to investments made on
5 or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

6 (b) **TREATMENT OF CURRENT OBLIGATIONS.**—As
7 soon as possible after the date of the enactment of this
8 Act, the Managing Trustee of the Federal Old-Age and
9 Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Dis-
10 ability Insurance Trust Fund shall, in accordance with
11 subsection (d) of section 201 of the Social Security Act
12 (as amended by this Act), take such actions as are nec-
13 essary to convert the obligations which are held by such
14 Trust Funds as of such date and which are not described
15 in such subsection to obligations which are described in
16 such subsection.

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