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# H. R. 1920

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 1, 2003

Mr. FILNER 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Let U.S. Veterans Re-  
5 build Iraq Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT FOR VETERANS HIRING PREF-**  
2 **ERENCE FOR FEDERAL CONTRACTORS PER-**  
3 **FORMING CONTRACTS FOR RECONSTRUC-**  
4 **TION IN IRAQ.**

5 (a) VETERANS PREFERENCE.—As a condition of any  
6 contract, or any subcontract at any tier under a contract,  
7 entered into by the Federal Government with a private  
8 sector contractor to perform reconstruction in Iraq, the  
9 Federal Government shall require the contractor (and any  
10 subcontractor at any tier hired by the contractor), when  
11 hiring employees who will perform work under the con-  
12 tract (or subcontract), to extend to preference eligible vet-  
13 erans a hiring preference equivalent to the preference ex-  
14 tended to preference eligible veterans for civilian employee  
15 positions in the Federal Government.

16 (b) PREFERENCE ELIGIBLE VETERAN DEFINED.—  
17 In this section, the term “preference eligible veteran” has  
18 the meaning given the term “preference eligible” in section  
19 2108 of title 5.

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