

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 300

To amend the Black Lung Benefits Act, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 25, 2005

Mr. RAHALL (for himself and Mr. BOUCHER) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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## A BILL

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purposes.

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 “Black Lung Benefits  
5 Survivors Equity Act of 2005”.

6 **SEC. 2. EQUITY FOR CERTAIN ELIGIBLE SURVIVORS.**

7 (a) REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION.—Section 411(c)(4)  
8 of the Black Lung Benefits Act (30 U.S.C. 921(c)(4)) is  
9 amended by striking the last sentence.

10 (b) CONTINUATION OF BENEFITS.—Section 422(l) of  
11 the Black Lung Benefits Act (30 U.S.C. 932(l)) is amend-

1 ed by striking “, except with respect to a claim filed under  
2 this part on or after the effective date of the Black Lung  
3 Benefits Amendments of 1981,”.

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