

107TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 4235

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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 16, 2002

Mr. RAHALL (for himself, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. MURTHA, and Mr. STRICKLAND) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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 “Black Lung Benefits
5 Survivors Equity Act of 2002”.

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

7 (a) **REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION.**—Paragraph (4) of
8 section 412(c)(4) of the Black Lung Benefits Act is
9 amended by striking the last sentence of such paragraph.

1 (b) CONTINUATION OF BENEFITS.—Section 422(l) of
2 the Black Lung Benefits Act is amended by striking “,
3 except with respect to a claim filed under this part on or
4 after the effective date of the Black Lung Benefits
5 Amendments of 1981”.

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