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# S. 1440

To restrict smoking to designated areas in all United States Government buildings.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 16, 1985

Mr. STEVENS (for himself, Mr. GOLDWATER, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. HATCH, Mr. PROXMIRE, and Mr. MATSUNAGA) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

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## A BILL

To restrict smoking to designated areas in all United States Government buildings.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3 That this Act may be cited as the "Non-Smokers Rights Act  
4 of 1985".

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### FINDINGS

6       SEC. 2. The Congress finds that—

7           (1) numerous studies have shown second-hand  
8       smoke to be a significant health hazard;

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1           (2) recent court decisions recognize an emerging  
2 right of employees to work in a smoke-free environ-  
3 ment; and

4           (3) smoking results in increased costs to employ-  
5 ers and the public in the form of more frequent absen-  
6 teeism by employees who smoke and higher costs for  
7 health insurance, fire insurance, life insurance, and  
8 workers' compensation.

9           UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

10          SEC. 3. (a) Within 180 days after the date of enactment  
11 of this Act and as provided in subsection (b)—

12           (1) the Administrator of the General Services Ad-  
13 ministration shall prescribe and implement such reason-  
14 able rules and regulations as may be necessary to des-  
15 ignate smoking areas in any building under the juris-  
16 diction and control of a department or agency of the  
17 United States;

18           (2) the Committee on Rules and Administration of  
19 the Senate and the Committee on House Administra-  
20 tion of the House of Representatives shall prescribe  
21 and implement such reasonable rules and regulations as  
22 may be necessary to designate smoking areas in any  
23 building under the jurisdiction and control of the Con-  
24 gress; and

25           (3) the Administrator of the Administrative Office  
26 of the United States Courts shall prescribe and imple-

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1       ment such reasonable rules and regulations as may be  
2       necessary to designate smoking areas in any building  
3       under the jurisdiction and control of the judicial branch  
4       of Government.

5       (b)(1) Rules and regulations for United States Govern-  
6       ment buildings prescribed pursuant to subsection (a) shall—

7           (A) make reasonable accommodations for the  
8       needs of the smokers and nonsmokers who use the  
9       Government buildings; and

10          (B) conspicuously display signs in each building  
11       that specify the portions of the building in which smok-  
12       ing is allowed by law and in which smoking is prohibit-  
13       ed by law.

14       (2) A sign required by paragraph (1)(B) shall be at least  
15       18 inches wide and 6 inches high, with lettering at least 1.25  
16       inches high.

17       (c)(1) Whoever smokes in an area of a United States  
18       Government building not designated as a smoking area pur-  
19       suant to this section shall be subject to a civil fine of not less  
20       than \$50 nor more than \$500.

21       (2) This subsection shall be effective 180 days after the  
22       date of enactment of this Act.

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