

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT  
FOR H.R. 3053  
OFFERED BY MR. BEN RAY LUJÁN OF NEW  
MEXICO**

At the end of the bill, add the following:

**1 SEC. 609. CLAIMS RELATING TO URANIUM MINING.**

2 (a) EMPLOYEES OF MINES AND MILLS.—Section  
3 5(a)(1)(A)(i) of the Radiation Exposure Compensation  
4 Act is amended—

5 (1) by inserting “(I)” after “(i)”;

6 (2) by striking “December 31, 1971; and” and  
7 inserting “December 31, 1990; or”; and

8 (3) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(II) was employed as a core driller in  
10 a State referred to in subclause (I) during  
11 the period described in such subclause;  
12 and”.

13 (b) MINERS.—Section 5(a)(1)(A)(ii)(I) of the Radi-  
14 ation Exposure Compensation Act is amended by inserting  
15 “or renal cancer or any other chronic renal disease, includ-  
16 ing nephritis and kidney tubal tissue injury” after “non-  
17 malignant respiratory disease”.

1 (c) MILLERS, CORE DRILLERS, AND ORE TRANS-  
2 PORTERS.—Section 5(a)(1)(A)(ii)(II) of the Radiation Ex-  
3 posure Compensation Act is amended—

4 (1) by inserting “, core driller,” after “was a  
5 miller”;

6 (2) by inserting “(I)” after “clause (i)”; and

7 (3) by striking all that follows “nonmalignant  
8 respiratory disease” and inserting “or renal cancer  
9 or any other chronic renal disease, including nephri-  
10 tis and kidney tubal tissue injury; or”.

11 (d) COMBINED WORK HISTORIES.—Section  
12 5(a)(1)(A)(ii) of the Radiation Exposure Compensation  
13 Act is further amended—

14 (1) by striking “or” at the end of subclause (I);  
15 and

16 (2) by adding at the end the following:

17 “(III)(aa) does not meet the condi-  
18 tions of subclause (I) or (II);

19 “(bb) worked, during the period de-  
20 scribed in clause (i)(I), in two or more of  
21 the following positions: miner, miller, core  
22 driller, and ore transporter;

23 “(cc) meets the requirements of para-  
24 graph (4) or (5), or both; and

1                   “(dd) submits written medical docu-  
2                   mentation that the individual developed  
3                   lung cancer or a nonmalignant respiratory  
4                   disease or renal cancer or any other chron-  
5                   ic renal disease, including nephritis and  
6                   kidney tubal tissue injury after exposure to  
7                   radiation through work in one or more of  
8                   the positions referred to in item (bb);”.

9           (e) DATES OF OPERATION OF URANIUM MINE.—Sec-  
10          tion 5(a)(2)(A) of the Radiation Exposure Compensation  
11          Act is amended by striking “December 31, 1971” and in-  
12          serting “December 31, 1990”.

13          (f) SPECIAL RULES RELATING TO COMBINED WORK  
14          HISTORIES.—Section 5(a) of the Radiation Exposure  
15          Compensation Act is amended by adding at the end the  
16          following:

17                   “(4) SPECIAL RULE RELATING TO COMBINED  
18                   WORK HISTORIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH AT LEAST  
19                   ONE YEAR OF EXPERIENCE.—An individual meets  
20                   the requirements of this paragraph if the individual  
21                   worked in one or more of the positions referred to  
22                   in paragraph (1)(A)(ii)(III)(bb) for a period of at  
23                   least one year during the period described in para-  
24                   graph (1)(A)(i)(I).

1           “(5) SPECIAL RULE RELATING TO COMBINED  
2 WORK HISTORIES FOR MINERS.—An individual  
3 meets the requirements of this paragraph if the indi-  
4 vidual, during the period described in paragraph  
5 (1)(A)(i)(I), worked as a miner and was exposed to  
6 such number of working level months of radiation  
7 that the Attorney General determines, when com-  
8 bined with the exposure of such individual to radi-  
9 ation through work as a miller, core driller, or ore  
10 transporter during the period described in paragraph  
11 (1)(A)(i)(I), results in such individual being exposed  
12 to a total level of radiation that is greater or equal  
13 to the level of exposure of an individual described in  
14 paragraph (4).”.

15           (g) DEFINITION OF CORE DRILLER.—Section 5(b) of  
16 the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act is amended—

17           (1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph  
18 (7);

19           (2) by striking the period at the end of para-  
20 graph (8) and inserting “; and”; and

21           (3) by adding at the end the following:

22           “(9) the term ‘core driller’ means any indi-  
23 vidual employed to engage in the act or process of  
24 obtaining cylindrical rock samples of uranium or va-

- 1 nadium by means of a borehole drilling machine for
- 2 the purpose of mining uranium or vanadium.”.

