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To amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide that an employee's 'regular rate' for purposes of calculating overtime compensation will not be affected by certain additional payments.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 23, 2015

Mr. CALVERT 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 "Employee Bonus Pro-
5 tection Act".

6 **SEC. 2. REGULAR RATE FOR OVERTIME PURPOSES.**

7 Section 7(e) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938
8 is amended—

1 (1) by inserting before the semicolon at the end
2 of paragraph (3) the following: “; or (d) the pay-
3 ments are made to reward an employee or group of
4 employees for meeting or exceeding the productivity,
5 quality, efficiency, or sales goals as specified in a
6 gainsharing plan, incentive bonus plan, commission
7 plan, or performance contingent bonus plan”; and

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

9 “A plan described in clause (d) of paragraph (3) shall
10 be in writing and made available to employees, provided
11 that the amount of the payments to be made under the
12 plan be based upon a formula that is stated in the plan,
13 and be established and maintained in good faith for the
14 purpose of distributing to employees additional remunera-
15 tion over and above the wages and salaries that are not
16 dependent upon the existence of such plan or payments
17 made pursuant to such plan.”.

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