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H. R. 2955

To amend the Whaling Convention Act of 1949 to require that the United States Commissioner to the International Whaling Commission must be a Federal employee.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 18, 2009

Mr. RAHALL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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. REQUIREMENTS FOR APPOINTMENT OF**
4 **UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER TO THE**
5 **INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION.**

6 (a) REQUIREMENT.—Section 3(a) of the Whaling
7 Convention Act of 1949 (16 U.S.C. 916a(a)) is amended
8 to read as follows:

1 “(a) The United States Commissioner shall be ap-
2 pointed by the President, on the concurrent recommenda-
3 tions of the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Com-
4 merce, shall be an employee of the Federal Government,
5 and shall serve at the pleasure of the President.”.

6 (b) APPLICATION.—The amendment made by sub-
7 section (a) shall apply with respect to any individual who
8 is appointed, or reappointed, as United States Commis-
9 sioner to the International Whaling Commission on or
10 after the date of enactment of this Act.

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