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104TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 483

To amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 2 (legislative day, FEBRUARY 22), 1995

Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. THOMPSON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

To amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright, and for other purposes.

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 “Copyright Term Ex-  
5 tension Act of 1995”.

6 **SEC. 2. DURATION OF COPYRIGHT PROVISIONS.**

7 (a) **PREEMPTION WITH RESPECT TO OTHER**  
8 **LAWS.**—Section 301(c) of title 17, United States Code,

9 is amended by striking out “February 15, 2047” in each

1 place it appears and inserting “February 15, 2067” in  
2 each such place.

3 (b) DURATION OF COPYRIGHT: WORKS CREATED ON  
4 OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 1978.—Section 302 of title 17,  
5 United States Code, is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a) by striking out “fifty” and  
7 inserting in lieu thereof “seventy”;

8 (2) in subsection (b) by striking out “fifty” and  
9 inserting in lieu thereof “seventy”;

10 (3) in subsection (c) in the first sentence—

11 (A) by striking out “seventy-five” and in-  
12 serting in lieu thereof “ninety-five”; and

13 (B) by striking out “one hundred” and in-  
14 serting in lieu thereof “one hundred and twen-  
15 ty”; and

16 (4) in subsection (e) in the first sentence—

17 (A) by striking out “seventy-five” and in-  
18 serting in lieu thereof “ninety-five”;

19 (B) by striking out “one hundred” and in-  
20 serting in lieu thereof “one hundred and twen-  
21 ty”; and

22 (C) by striking out “fifty” in each place it  
23 appears and inserting “seventy” in each such  
24 place.

1 (c) DURATION OF COPYRIGHT: WORKS CREATED  
2 BUT NOT PUBLISHED OR COPYRIGHTED BEFORE JANU-  
3 ARY 1, 1978.—Section 303 of title 17, United States  
4 Code, is amended in the second sentence—

5 (1) by striking out “December 31, 2002” in  
6 each place it appears and inserting “December 31,  
7 2012” in each such place; and

8 (2) by striking out “December 31, 2027” and  
9 inserting in lieu thereof “December 31, 2047”.

10 (d) DURATION OF COPYRIGHT: SUBSISTING COPY-  
11 RIGHTS.—

12 (1) Section 304 of title 17, United States Code,  
13 is amended—

14 (A) in subsection (a)—

15 (i) in paragraph (1)—

16 (I) in subparagraph (B) by strik-  
17 ing out “47” and inserting in lieu  
18 thereof “67”; and

19 (II) in subparagraph (C) by  
20 striking out “47” and inserting in lieu  
21 thereof “67”;

22 (ii) in paragraph (2)—

23 (I) in subparagraph (A) by strik-  
24 ing out “47” and inserting in lieu  
25 thereof “67”; and

1 (II) in subparagraph (B) by  
2 striking out “47 and inserting in lieu  
3 thereof “67”; and

4 (iii) in paragraph (3)—

5 (I) in subparagraph (A)(i) by  
6 striking out “47” and inserting in lieu  
7 thereof “67”; and

8 (II) in subparagraph (B) by  
9 striking out “47” and inserting in lieu  
10 thereof “67”; and

11 (B) in subsection (b) by striking out “sev-  
12 enty-five” and inserting in lieu thereof “ninety-  
13 five”.

14 (2) Section 102 of the Copyright Renewal Act  
15 of 1992 (Public Law 102-307; 106 Stat. 266; 17  
16 U.S.C. 304 note) is amended—

17 (A) in subsection (c)—

18 (i) by striking out “47” and inserting  
19 in lieu thereof “67”;

20 (ii) by striking out “(as amended by  
21 subsection (a) of this section)”; and

22 (iii) by striking out “effective date of  
23 this section” each place it appears and in-  
24 serting in each such place “effective date

1                   of the Copyright Term Extension Act of  
2                   1995”; and

3                   (B) in subsection (g)(2) in the second sen-  
4                   tence by inserting before the period the follow-  
5                   ing: “, except each reference to forty-seven  
6                   years in such provisions shall be deemed to be  
7                   sixty-seven years”.

8 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

9                   This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall  
10                  take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

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