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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Justice for United States Victims of State Sponsored Terrorism Act to provide rules for payments to Havlish Settling Judgment Creditors.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. FITZPATRICK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Fairness for 9/11
5 Families Technical Fix Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. UNITED STATES VICTIMS OF STATE SPONSORED**
2 **TERRORISM FUND PAYMENTS FOR HAVLISH**
3 **SETTLING JUDGMENT CREDITORS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 404 of the Justice for
5 United States Victims of State Sponsored Terrorism Act
6 (34 U.S.C. 20144(e)(2)(B)) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (e)(2)(B), by adding at the
8 end the following:

9 “(vi) EXCEPTION FOR THE HAVLISH
10 SETTLING JUDGMENT CREDITORS.—

11 “(I) IN GENERAL.—This sub-
12 section does not apply with respect
13 to—

14 “(aa) a Havlish Settling
15 Judgment Creditor who pre-
16 viously elected to participate in
17 the Fund in accordance with
18 clause (iii) or who submitted an
19 application for conditional pay-
20 ment in accordance with clause
21 (iv); or

22 “(bb) the assets, or the net
23 proceeds of the sale of properties
24 or related assets, attributable to
25 a person described in item (aa).

1 “(II) RELEASE OF FUNDS HELD
2 IN ESCROW.—All funds allocated to a
3 Havlish Settling Judgement Creditor
4 and withheld from distribution under
5 clause (iv) shall be released and paid
6 to the Havlish Settling Judgement
7 Creditor to whom such withheld funds
8 had been allocated.

9 “(III) FUTURE PAYMENT ELIGI-
10 BILITY.—Each Havlish Settling Judg-
11 ment Creditor shall be entitled to par-
12 ticipate in future rounds of payments
13 in the same manner as all other
14 claimants described in paragraphs
15 (10) through (14) of subsection (j), ir-
16 respective of any application for con-
17 ditional payment submitted under
18 clause (iv).”; and

19 (2) in subsection (j), by adding at the end the
20 following paragraph:

21 “(17) HAVLISH SETTling JUDGMENT CRED-
22 ITOR.—The term ‘Havlish Settling Judgment Cred-
23 itor’ means a plaintiff, an estate or successor in in-
24 terest thereof, who—

1 “(A) has an eligible claim under subsection
2 (c) that arises out of the September 11, 2001,
3 terrorist attacks against the United States; and

4 “(B) is a Settling Judgment Creditor identified in the Order dated April 16, 2014, in the
5 proceedings captioned In re 650 Fifth Avenue
6 and Related Properties, No. 08–CV–10934
7 (S.D.N.Y.).”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
10 subsection (a) shall take effect as if enacted on December
11 29, 2022.