

111TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4621

To protect the integrity of the constitutionally mandated United States census and prohibit deceptive mail practices that attempt to exploit the decennial census.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 9, 2010

Mrs. MALONEY (for herself, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. CLAY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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 “Prevent Deceptive Cen-
5 sus Look Alike Mailings Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENTS FOR MAIL BEARING THE TERM**
2 **“CENSUS” ON THE ENVELOPE OR OUTSIDE**
3 **COVER OR WRAPPER.**

4 (a) **MATTER SOLICITING PURCHASE OF A PRODUCT**
5 **OR SERVICE.**—Section 3001(h) of title 39, United States
6 Code, is amended—

7 (1) by inserting “; or which bears the term
8 ‘census’ on the envelope or outside cover or wrap-
9 per” after “such matter by the Federal Govern-
10 ment”; and

11 (2) by inserting at the end the following new
12 paragraph:

13 “(4) In the case of matter bearing the term
14 ‘census’ on the envelope or outside cover or wrapper,
15 in addition to satisfying one of the exceptions con-
16 tained in paragraphs (1), (2), or (3), such envelope
17 or outside cover or wrapper bears on its face an ac-
18 curate return address including the name of the en-
19 tity that sent such matter.”.

20 (b) **MATTER SOLICITING INFORMATION OR CON-**
21 **TRIBUTION OF FUNDS.**—Section 3001(i) of title 39,
22 United States Code, is amended—

23 (1) by inserting “; or which bears the term
24 ‘census’ on the envelope or outside cover or wrap-
25 per” after “such matter by the Federal Govern-
26 ment”; and

1 (2) by inserting at the end the following new
2 paragraph:

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