

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 233

To amend the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 7, 1997

Mr. MCINTOSH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To amend the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995.

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. AMENDMENT.**

4 Section 18 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995
5 (2 U.S.C. 1611) is amended to read as follows:

6 **“SEC. 18. EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS.**

7 “(a) GENERAL RULE.—An organization described in
8 section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
9 which engages in lobbying activities or affiliated organiza-
10 tions shall not be eligible for the receipt of Federal funds
11 constituting an award, grant, or loan.

1 “(b) DEFINITION.—For purposes of subsection (a),
2 any 2 organizations shall be considered to be affiliated or-
3 ganizations if the organizations meet any one or more of
4 the following criteria:

5 “(1) The governing instrument of one such or-
6 ganization requires it to be bound by decisions of the
7 other organization on legislative issues.

8 “(2) The governing board of one such organiza-
9 tion includes persons who—

10 “(A) are specifically designated representa-
11 tives of the other such organization or are
12 members of the governing board, officers, or
13 paid executive staff members of such other or-
14 ganization; and

15 “(B) by aggregating their votes, have suffi-
16 cient voting power to cause or prevent action on
17 political advocacy issues by the other such orga-
18 nization.

19 “(3) The organizations—

20 “(A) either use the same name or trade-
21 mark, or represent themselves as being affili-
22 ated; and

23 “(B) coordinate their lobbying activities or
24 political advocacy.”.

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