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H. R. 2528

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require certain disclosure and reports relating to polling by telephone or electronic device.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 23, 1997

Mr. PETRI (for himself, Mr. SHAYS, and Ms. SLAUGHTER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Oversight

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. DISCLOSURE AND REPORTS RELATING TO**
4 **POLLING BY TELEPHONE OR ELECTRONIC**
5 **DEVICE.**

6 Title III of the Federal Election Campaign Act of
7 1971 (2 U.S.C. 431 et seq.) is amended by adding at the
8 end the following new section:

1 “DISCLOSURE AND REPORTS RELATING TO POLLING BY
2 TELEPHONE OR ELECTRONIC DEVICE

3 “SEC. 323. (a) Any person who conducts a Federal
4 election poll by telephone or electronic device shall disclose
5 to each respondent the identity of the person paying the
6 expenses of the poll. The disclosure shall be made at the
7 end of the interview involved.

8 “(b) In the case of any Federal election poll by tele-
9 phone or electronic device—

10 “(1) if the results are not to be made public,
11 the person who conducts the poll shall report to the
12 Commission the total cost of the poll and all sources
13 of funds for the poll; and

14 “(2) the person who conducts the poll shall re-
15 port to the Commission the total number of house-
16 holds contacted and include with such report a copy
17 of the poll questions.

18 “(c) As used in this section, the term ‘Federal elec-
19 tion poll’ means a survey—

20 “(1) in which the respondent is asked to state
21 a preference in a future election for Federal office;
22 and

23 “(2) in which more than 1,200 households are
24 surveyed.”.

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