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H. R. 3753

To amend chapter 119 of title 18, United States Code, with respect to authority for the interception of communications.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 29, 1998

Mr. MCCOLLUM (for himself, Mr. HYDE, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. SCHUMER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Multipoint Wiretap
5 Act of 1998”.

6 **SEC. 2. AUTHORITY FOR MULTIPOINT WIRETAPS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2518(11)(b) of title 18,
8 United States Code, is amended—

1 (1) in (ii), by striking “of a purpose” and all
2 that follows through the end of such clause and in-
3 serting “that there is probable cause to believe that
4 the person’s actions could have the effect of thwart-
5 ing interception from a specified facility;”;

6 (2) in clause (iii), by striking “such purpose”
7 and all that follows through the end of such clause
8 and inserting “such showing has been adequately
9 made; and”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(iv) the order authorizing or approving
12 the interception is limited to interception only
13 for such time as it is reasonable to presume
14 that the person identified in the application is
15 or was reasonably proximate to the instrument
16 through which such communication will be or
17 was transmitted.”.

18 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 2511(12)
19 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

20 (1) by inserting “(a)” after “by reason of sub-
21 section (11)”;

22 (2) by striking “the facilities from which, or”;
23 and

24 (3) by striking the comma following “where”.

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