

106TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2791

To prohibit public broadcasting stations receiving any funding through the Corporation for Public Broadcasting from making available any lists of their financial donors.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 5, 1999

Mr. STEARNS (for himself, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, and Mr. EHRLICH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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 “Public Broadcasting
5 Donor Privacy Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF TRANSFER OF DONOR LISTS.**

7 Subpart E of Part IV of title III of Communications
8 Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 397 et seq.) is amended by adding
9 at the end the following new section:

1 **“SEC. 399C. PROHIBITION AGAINST TRANSFER OF DONOR**
2 **LISTS.**

3 “No public broadcast station that, after the date of
4 the enactment of the Public Broadcasting Donor Privacy
5 Act, receives any funding, grant, advance, or other finan-
6 cial assistance from the Corporation may make available
7 any list, in whole or in part, of the financial contributors
8 to such station to any person or other entity, except at
9 the direction of the Corporation or pursuant to any au-
10 thority under Federal, State, or local law.”.

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