107TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 3125

To amend the Truth in Lending Act to impose a temporary cap on credit card interest rates, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 12, 2001

Mr. Sandlin introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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 "Credit Card Fairness
- 5 Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. TEMPORARY RATE CAP ON CREDIT CARD INTEREST
- 7 RATES.
- 8 Section 107 of the Truth in Lending Act (15 U.S.C.
- 9 1606) is amended by adding at the end the following new
- 10 subsection:

| 1 | "(f) Temporary Credit Card Interest Rate |
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| 2 | CAP.— |
| 3 | "(1) IN GENERAL.—The annual percentage rate |
| 4 | applicable to an extension of credit outstanding on |
| 5 | a credit card account under an open end credit plan |
| 6 | may not exceed 12 percent. |
| 7 | "(2) Effective Period.—Subsection (f) shall |
| 8 | take effect 60 days after the date of the enactment |
| 9 | of the Credit Card Fairness Act and shall cease to |
| 10 | apply at the end of the 2-year period beginning on |
| 11 | such effective date.". |

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