107TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 4055

To enhance notification to union members of their rights under the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 20, 2002

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas (for himself, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. BALLENGER, and Mr. NORWOOD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

A BILL

To enhance notification to union members of their rights under the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959.

- 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. INFORMATION.
- 4 (a) Enforcement.—Section 102 of the Labor-Man-
- 5 agement Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959 (29 U.S.C.
- 6 412) is amended—
- 7 (1) by striking "Any person" and inserting "(a)
- 8 Unless the Secretary has brought a civil action
- 9 under subsection (b), any person"; and

- (2) by adding at the end the following:
 "(b) Upon the written complaint of any member of
- 3 a labor organization alleging that such organization has
- 4 violated section 105, the Secretary shall investigate the
- 5 complaint and if the Secretary finds probable cause to be-
- 6 lieve that such violation has occurred and has not been
- 7 remedied, the Secretary shall, without disclosing the iden-
- 8 tity of the complainant, bring a civil action in any district
- 9 court of the United States having jurisdiction of the labor
- 10 organization for such relief (including injunctions) as may
- 11 be appropriate.".
- 12 (b) Information.—Section 105 of the Labor-Man-
- 13 agement Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959 (29 U.S.C.
- 14 415) is amended by adding at the end the following: "A
- 15 labor organization shall provide such information—
- 16 "(1) to each new member within 90 days after
- 17 the member has joined the labor organization; and
- 18 "(2) periodically to all members in a manner
- which the Secretary of Labor determines will pro-
- 20 mote a fuller understanding of the member's rights
- and judicial remedies under this Act.".

22 SEC. 2. REGULATIONS.

- Not later than 6 months after the date of the enact-
- 24 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor shall review and
- 25 revise all regulations promulgated before such date to im-

- 1 plement the amendments made in this Act to the Labor-
- 2 Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959.
- 3 SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 4 The amendments made by this Act shall take effect
- 5 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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