

Union Calendar No. 211

109TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 1606

[Report No. 109–389]

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to exclude communications over the Internet from the definition of public communication.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 13, 2005

Mr. HENSARLING introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

MARCH 13, 2006

Additional sponsors: Mr. PAUL, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. CANNON, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota, and Mr. BISHOP of Utah

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Online Freedom of
3 Speech Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. MODIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF PUBLIC COMMU-**
5 **NICATION.**

6 Paragraph (22) of section 301 of the Federal Elec-
7 tion Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 431(22)) is amend-
8 ed by adding at the end the following new sentence: “Such
9 term shall not include communications over the Internet.”.

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