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# H. R. 5228

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 27, 2006

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on International Relations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. LOBBYING CONTACTS FROM REPRESENTA-**  
2 **TIVES OF GOVERNMENTS DESIGNATED AS**  
3 **STATE SPONSORS OF TERRORISM.**

4 The Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as  
5 amended (22 U.S.C. 611 et seq.) is amended by inserting  
6 after section 4 the following:

7 “LOBBYING CONTACTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF GOV-  
8 ERNMENTS DESIGNATED AS STATE SPONSORS OF  
9 TERRORISM

10 “SEC. 4A. (a) Every person required to register  
11 under the provisions of this Act who is an agent of a for-  
12 eign principal, in a case in which the foreign principal is  
13 a covered foreign principal, and who makes a lobbying con-  
14 tact with a covered legislative branch official shall, not  
15 later than 45 days after the date of such contact, provide  
16 to the Attorney General a detailed statement of such con-  
17 tact.

18 “(b) The Secretary of State shall not recognize as  
19 accredited a diplomatic or consular officer of a covered for-  
20 eign principal unless such officer agrees to provide to the  
21 Attorney General a detailed statement of any lobbying  
22 contact with a covered legislative branch official not later  
23 than 45 days after the date of such contact.

24 “(c) The Attorney General shall make information re-  
25 lating to a lobbying contact described in subsections (a)  
26 and (b) available to the general public in an electronic for-

1 mat not later than 90 days after the date of receipt of  
2 the statement concerning such contact.

3 “(d) For purposes of this section—

4 “(1) the term ‘covered foreign principal’  
5 means—

6 “(A) a State Sponsor of Terrorism; or

7 “(B) the government of, or a political  
8 party of, a State Sponsor of Terrorism;

9 “(2) the term ‘covered legislative branch offi-  
10 cial’ has the meaning given that term in section 3  
11 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C.  
12 1602);

13 “(3) the term ‘lobbying contact’ means any oral  
14 or written communication (including an electronic  
15 communication) with regard to—

16 “(A) the formulation, modification, or  
17 adoption of Federal legislation (including legis-  
18 lative proposals);

19 “(B) the formulation, modification, or  
20 adoption of a Federal rule or regulation, an Ex-  
21 ecutive order, or any other program, policy, or  
22 position of the United States Government;

23 “(C) the administration or execution of a  
24 Federal program or policy (including the nego-

1           tiation, award, or administration of a Federal  
2           contract, grant, loan, permit, or license); or

3           “(D) the nomination or confirmation of a  
4           person for a position subject to confirmation by  
5           the Senate; and

6           “(4) the term ‘State Sponsor of Terrorism’  
7           means a country the government of which has been  
8           determined by the Secretary of State, for purposes  
9           of section 6(j) of the Export Administration Act of  
10          1979, section 620A of the Foreign Assistance Act of  
11          1961, section 40 of the Arms Export Control Act,  
12          or other provision of law, is a government that has  
13          repeatedly provided support for acts of international  
14          terrorism.”.

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