109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 5325

To direct the Federal Trade Commission to revise the do-not-call telemarketing rules to permit individuals to opt out of receiving telephone calls from certain political organizations.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 9, 2006

Mr. DOOLITTLE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and 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. "DO-NOT-CALL" REGISTRY FOR CERTAIN POLIT-
- 4 ICAL TELEPHONE CALLS.
- 5 (a) Regulations.—Not later than 180 days after
- 6 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Federal Trade
- 7 Commission shall issue regulations to revise the Tele-
- 8 marketing Sales Rule (16 C.F.R. 310) to prohibit, as an

- 1 abusive telemarketing act or practice, any politically-ori-
- 2 ented telephone calls to persons who, after such regula-
- 3 tions are issued, register with the Commission to include
- 4 their telephone numbers on a "do-not call" registry estab-
- 5 lished to prohibit such telephone calls to such individuals.
- 6 (b) Definition of Politically-Oriented Tele-
- 7 PHONE CALLS.—For purposes of this section, the term
- 8 "politically-oriented telephone call" means any outbound
- 9 telephone call whose purpose is to promote, advertise,
- 10 campaign for, or solicit donations for or against any polit-
- 11 ical candidate or regarding any political issue, or uses any
- 12 political candidate's name.

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