110TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 4167

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to reduce restrictions on media ownership, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 13, 2007

Mr. Stearns 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. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Broadcast Ownership
- 5 for the 21st Century Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. CROSS-OWNERSHIP LIMITATIONS.
- 7 (a) Rule Changes Required.—The Federal Com-
- 8 munications Commission shall modify section 73.3555 of
- 9 its regulations (47 CFR 73.3555) by eliminating any pro-
- 10 visions limiting the granting or renewal of an AM or FM

- 1 radio or television broadcast station license to any party
- 2 (including parties under common control) on the basis of
- 3 the ownership, operation, or control by such party of a
- 4 daily newspaper.
- 5 (b) Deadline for Actions.—The Federal Commu-
- 6 nications Commission shall complete all actions necessary
- 7 to complete the modifications required by this section
- 8 within 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

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