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H. R. 479

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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 16, 2007

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.

