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H. R. 3167

To allow mail carriers to serve in temporary enumerator positions in
connection with the 2010 decennial census.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 10, 2009

Mr. CHAFFETZ (for himself and Mr. LYNCH) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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. FINDINGS.**

4 Congress finds that—

5 (1) the United States Postal Service—

6 (A) has more experience than any other or-
7 ganization in locating and delivering services to
8 households in the United States; and

1 (B) is therefore uniquely qualified to assist
2 the Bureau of the Census to achieve a complete
3 and accurate enumeration of the population;

4 (2) due to reduced mail volume, the United
5 States Postal Service has a surplus of employees;
6 and

7 (3) allowing mail carriers to serve as enumera-
8 tors in the 2010 decennial census will help the Gov-
9 ernment to realize a net reduction in costs by obvi-
10 ating the need to hire non-Federal personnel for
11 temporary enumerator positions.

12 **SEC. 2. TEMPORARY ENUMERATORS.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Before resorting to non-Federal
14 personnel for service in temporary enumerator positions
15 in connection with the 2010 decennial census, the Sec-
16 retary of Commerce shall, with the agreement of the Post-
17 master General, utilize the services of mail carriers to the
18 maximum extent practicable.

19 (b) LIMITATIONS.—Any agreement under this section
20 shall include provisions for the selection of mail carriers
21 who will serve as temporary enumerators, except that,
22 under such provisions, a carrier selected to serve as a tem-
23 porary enumerator—

1 (1) shall not be required to perform any postal
2 duties on a day on which such carrier is serving as
3 an enumerator; and

4 (2) shall not be required to serve as an enu-
5 merator—

6 (A) more than 1 day a week; or

7 (B) after the services of letter carriers
8 under this section are no longer required, as de-
9 termined by the Secretary of Commerce.

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