

**Calendar No. 162**111<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION**S. 1687**

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**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES**

SEPTEMBER 17, 2009

Mr. JOHANNIS (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. BURR, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. HATCH, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. GREGG, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. RISCH) introduced the following bill; which was read the first time

SEPTEMBER 21, 2009

Read the second time and placed on the calendar

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Protect Taxpayers  
3 From ACORN Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITIONS ON FEDERAL FUNDS AND OTHER**  
5 **ACTIVITIES WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN IN-**  
6 **DICTED ORGANIZATIONS.**

7 (a) PROHIBITIONS.—With respect to any covered or-  
8 ganization, the following prohibitions apply:

9 (1) No Federal contract, grant, cooperative  
10 agreement, or any other form of agreement (includ-  
11 ing a memorandum of understanding) may be  
12 awarded to or entered into with the organization.

13 (2) No Federal funds in any other form may be  
14 provided to the organization.

15 (3) No Federal employee or contractor may  
16 promote in any way (including recommending to a  
17 person or referring to a person for any purpose) the  
18 organization.

19 (b) COVERED ORGANIZATION.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—In this section, the term  
21 “covered organization” means the Association of  
22 Community Organizations for Reform Now (in this  
23 subsection referred to as “ACORN”) and any  
24 ACORN-related affiliate.

1           (2) ACORN-RELATED AFFILIATE.—The term  
2           “ACORN-related affiliate” means any of the fol-  
3           lowing:

4                   (A) Any State chapter of ACORN reg-  
5                   istered with the Secretary of State’s office in  
6                   that State.

7                   (B) Any organization that shares directors  
8                   or employees with ACORN.

9                   (C) Any organization that has a financial  
10                  stake in ACORN.

11                  (D) Any organization whose finances,  
12                  whether Federally funded, donor-funded, or  
13                  raised through organizational goods and serv-  
14                  ices, are shared or controlled by ACORN.

15           (e) REVISION OF FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULA-  
16           TION.—The Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council shall  
17           amend the Federal Acquisition Regulation to carry out the  
18           provisions of this Act relating to contracts.

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