H. R. 3572

To permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 6, 2011

Mr. Connolly of Virginia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 "The Cameras in the
- 5 Courtroom Act of 2011".
- 6 SEC. 2. AMENDMENT TO TITLE 28.
- 7 (a) In General.—Chapter 45 of title 28, United
- 8 States Code, is amended by inserting at the end the fol-
- 9 lowing:
- 10 "§ 678. Televising Supreme Court proceedings
- 11 "The Supreme Court shall permit television coverage
- 12 of all open sessions of the Court unless the Court decides,

- 1 by a vote of the majority of justices, that allowing such
- 2 coverage in a particular case would constitute a violation
- 3 of the due process rights of 1 or more of the parties before
- 4 the Court.".
- 5 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The chapter analysis
- 6 for chapter 45 of title 28, United States Code, is amended
- 7 by inserting at the end the following:

"678. Televising Supreme Court proceedings.".

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