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H. R. 4161

To amend title 39, United States Code, to provide that the United States Postal Service may not close or consolidate any postal facility located in a ZIP code with a high rate of population growth, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 7, 2012

Mr. GRIJALVA 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Defending Quality
5 Postal Delivery for the Future Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CLOSURE OR CONSOLIDATION OF POSTAL FACILI-**
2 **TIES IN ZIP CODES WITH HIGH POPULATION**
3 **GROWTH.**

4 Section 404 of title 39, United States Code, is
5 amended by adding at the end the following:

6 “(f)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
7 title, the Postal Service may not close or consolidate any
8 post office or other postal facility that is located in a ZIP
9 code that has a high rate of population growth.

10 “(2)(A) Not later than 30 days after the date of en-
11 actment of this subsection, and not later than 60 days
12 after the end of each year thereafter, the Postmaster Gen-
13 eral shall determine, in consultation with the Secretary of
14 Commerce, whether a ZIP code has a high rate of popu-
15 lation growth for purposes of paragraph (1).

16 “(B) In making the annual determination required
17 under subparagraph (A), the Postmaster General shall,
18 using population data available from the Bureau of the
19 Census, compare the population of a ZIP code at the end
20 of such year with the population of such ZIP code at the
21 beginning of such year.”.

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