

116TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4027

To amend section 230 of the Communications Act of 1934 (commonly referred to as the Communications Decency Act) to stop censorship, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 25, 2019

Mr. GOSAR (for himself, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. KING of Iowa, and Mr. NORMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Stop the Censorship  
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REVOCATION OF IMMUNITIES.**

7 Section 230(c) of the Communications Act of 1934  
8 (47 U.S.C. 230(c)) is amended—

1 (1) in the heading, by striking “AND SCREEN-  
2 ING OF OFFENSIVE MATERIAL” and inserting “OF  
3 UNLAWFUL OR OBJECTIONABLE MATERIAL”; and

4 (2) in paragraph (2)—

5 (A) in subparagraph (A)—

6 (i) by striking “material that the pro-  
7 vider or user considers to be obscene, lewd,  
8 lascivious, filthy, excessively violent,  
9 harassing, or otherwise objectionable,  
10 whether or not such material is constitu-  
11 tionally protected” and inserting “unlawful  
12 material”; and

13 (ii) by striking “; or” and inserting a  
14 semicolon;

15 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
16 “paragraph (1).” and inserting “subparagraph  
17 (A); or”; and

18 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
19 subparagraph:

20 “(C) any action taken to provide users  
21 with the option to restrict access to any other  
22 material, whether or not such material is con-  
23 stitutionally protected.”.

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