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H. R. 1169

To amend title 39, United States Code, with respect to “cooperative mailings”.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 22, 2001

Mr. BURTON of Indiana (for himself, Mr. EHRLICH, and Mr. FILNER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

A BILL

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“cooperative mailings”.

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. PURPOSE.**

4 The purpose of this Act is to clarify section
5 3626(j)(1)(D)(ii) of title 39, United States Code.

6 **SEC. 2. COOPERATIVE MAILINGS.**

7 Section 3626(j) of title 39, United States Code, is
8 amended by adding at the end the following:

9 “(4)(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
10 section or any rule or regulation of the Postal Service, but

1 subject to subparagraph (C), in the case of mail matter
2 sent (or proposed to be sent) by or on behalf of an author-
3 ized organization having a contractual or any other busi-
4 ness relationship with an entity described in subparagraph
5 (B)(ii), rates of postage under former section 4452(b) or
6 4452(c) of this title shall apply if those rates would apply
7 in the case of identical mail matter sent by such organiza-
8 tion absent such relationship.

9 “(B) For purposes of this paragraph—

10 “(i) the term ‘authorized organization’ means
11 an organization authorized to mail at the rates for
12 mail under former section 4452(b) or 4452(c) of this
13 title; and

14 “(ii) an entity described in this clause is any or-
15 ganization or other person that is not an authorized
16 organization.

17 “(C) This paragraph does not authorize an entity de-
18 scribed in subparagraph (B)(ii) to advertise, promote,
19 offer, or, for a fee or consideration, recommend, describe,
20 or announce the availability of, any of its products or serv-
21 ices at the rates of postage under former section 4452(b)
22 or 4452(c) of this title.”.

1 **SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

2 It is the sense of the Congress that nothing in this
3 Act should be considered to alter the authority of the
4 United States Postal Service—

5 (1) to apply regular rates of postage, rather
6 than nonprofit rates, to mail matter described in
7 subparagraph (A), (B), (C), or (D)(i) of section
8 3626(j)(1) of title 39, United States Code; or

9 (2) to enforce any criminal law within its juris-
10 diction.

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