

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 8053

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit Federal funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 17, 2024

Mr. PERRY (for himself, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. MASSIE, and Mr. OGLES) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit Federal funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, and for other purposes.

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 “No Propaganda Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL FUNDS FOR CORPORA-**
2 **TION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 396 of the Communica-
4 tions Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 396) is amended by adding
5 at the end the following new subsection:

6 “(m) PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL FUNDS.—No Fed-
7 eral funds may be made available to the Corporation after
8 the date of the enactment of the No Propaganda Act.”.

9 (b) CORPORATION PROHIBITED FROM ACCEPTING
10 FEDERAL FUNDS.—Section 396(g) of the Communica-
11 tions Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 396(g)) is amended—

12 (1) in paragraph (2)(A), by inserting “subject
13 to paragraph (3)(C),” before “obtain”; and

14 (2) in paragraph (3)—

15 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “;
16 and” and inserting a semicolon;

17 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the
18 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

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

21 “(C) accepting funds from the Federal Govern-
22 ment after the date of the enactment of the No
23 Propaganda Act.”.

24 (c) RESCISSION.—Any unobligated balances of
25 amounts made available under the heading “Corporation
26 for Public Broadcasting” in the Consolidated Appropria-

1 tions Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103; 136 Stat. 489),
2 the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Public Law
3 117–328; 136 Stat. 4901), or the Further Consolidated
4 Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118–47) are hereby
5 rescinded.

6 (d) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
7 396(k)(3)(A)(iv)(II) of the Communications Act of 1934
8 (47 U.S.C. 396(k)(3)(A)(iv)(II)) is amended by inserting
9 “before the date of the enactment of the No Propaganda
10 Act” after “amounts received”.

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