

106TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2791

To prohibit public broadcasting stations receiving any funding through the Corporation for Public Broadcasting from making available any lists of their financial donors.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 5, 1999

Mr. STEARNS (for himself, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, and Mr. EHRLICH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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 “Public Broadcasting  
5 Donor Privacy Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF TRANSFER OF DONOR LISTS.**

7 Subpart E of Part IV of title III of Communications  
8 Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 397 et seq.) is amended by adding  
9 at the end the following new section:

1 **“SEC. 399C. PROHIBITION AGAINST TRANSFER OF DONOR**  
2 **LISTS.**

3 “No public broadcast station that, after the date of  
4 the enactment of the Public Broadcasting Donor Privacy  
5 Act, receives any funding, grant, advance, or other finan-  
6 cial assistance from the Corporation may make available  
7 any list, in whole or in part, of the financial contributors  
8 to such station to any person or other entity, except at  
9 the direction of the Corporation or pursuant to any au-  
10 thority under Federal, State, or local law.”.

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