

111<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 3427

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2010

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and  
Public Works

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## AN ACT

To amend title 23, United States Code, to protect States that have in effect laws or orders with respect to pay to play reform, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “State Ethics Law Pro-  
3 tection Act of 2010”.

4 **SEC. 2. PAY TO PLAY REFORM.**

5 Section 112 of title 23, United States Code, is  
6 amended by adding at the end the following:

7 “(h) PAY TO PLAY REFORM.—A State transpor-  
8 tation department shall not be considered to have violated  
9 a requirement of this section solely because the State in  
10 which that State transportation department is located, or  
11 a local government within that State, has in effect a law  
12 or an order that limits the amount of money an individual  
13 or entity that is doing business with a State or local agen-  
14 cy with respect to a Federal-aid highway project may con-  
15 tribute to a political party, campaign, or elected official.”.

Passed the House of Representatives September 28,  
2010.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,  
*Clerk.*