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# H. R. 567

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 13, 2017

Ms. SÁNCHEZ (for herself, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. PINGREE, and Mr. SARBANES) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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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 “Relatives in Govern-  
5 ment Getting Employment Dishonorably Act” or the  
6 “RIGGED Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EMPLOYMENT OF RELATIVES; RESTRICTIONS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3110 of title 5, United  
3 States Code, is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (a)—

5 (A) in paragraph (1)(A) by inserting “, in-  
6 cluding the White House Office and the Execu-  
7 tive Office of the President” after “Executive  
8 agency”;

9 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and  
10 (3) as paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively; and

11 (C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
12 following:

13 “(2) ‘civilian position’ means any existing or  
14 newly created position in an agency, including a po-  
15 sition acting in a professional or official capacity as  
16 a consultant or advisor, regardless of whether such  
17 position is voluntary, gratuitous, or authorized by  
18 law to be compensated;”;

19 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “A public offi-  
20 cial may not” and inserting “Notwithstanding any  
21 other provision of law, a public official may not”;  
22 and

23 (3) in subsection (c)—

24 (A) by inserting “shall be removed imme-  
25 diately and” after “in violation of this section”;  
26 and

1 (B) by striking “as pay” and inserting “as  
2 salary or expenses”.

3 (b) APPLICATION OF PROHIBITED PERSONNEL  
4 PRACTICES.—Section 2302(a)(2)(C) of title 5, United  
5 States Code, is amended by inserting “, including the  
6 White House Office,” after “Executive agency”.

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