LEGISLATION TO EXEMPT CERTAIN REPORTS FROM AUTOMATIC ELIMINATION AND SUNSET

LEAHY AMENDMENT NO. 2786

Ms. COLLINS (for Mr. LEAHY) proposed an amendment to the bill (H.R. 3111) to exempt certain reports from automatic elimination and sunset pursuant to the Federal Reports Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995; as follows:

Add at the end the following:

SEC. 2(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Continued Reporting of Intercepted Wire, Oral, and Electronic Communications Act”.

(b) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) Section 2519(3) of title 18, United States Code, requires the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts to transmit to Congress a full and complete annual report concerning the number of applications for orders authorizing or approving the interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications. This report is required to include information specified in section 2519(3).

(2) The Federal Reports Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995 provides for the termination of certain laws requiring submittal to Congress of annual, semiannual, and regular periodic reports as of December 21, 1999, 4 years after the effective date of that Act.

(3) Due to the Federal Reports Elimination Act and Sunset Act of 1995, the Administrative Office of United States Courts is not required to submit an annual report described in section 219(5) of title 18, United States Code, as of December 21, 1999.

(4) Continued Reporting Requirements.—

(c) CONTINUED REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) Continued reporting requirement. Section 2519 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

(4) The reports required to be filed by subsection (3) are exempted from the termination provisions of section 3003(a) of the Federal Reports Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995 (Public Law 106–66).

(2) EXEMPTION.—Section 3003(d) of the Federal Reports Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995 (Public Law 106–66) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (31), by striking “or” at the end; and

(b) in paragraph (32), by striking the period and inserting “; or”;

and by adding at the end the following:

“(33) section 2519(3) of title 18, United States Code.”.

(d) ENCRYPTION REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) Section 2519(2)(b) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking “and” and inserting “and”.

(b) LIMITATION.—The total amount paid to State agencies for each fiscal year under subparagraph (A) shall not exceed $500,000.


MILLENNIUM DIGITAL COMMERCE ACT

ABRAHAM (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 2787

Ms. COLLINS (for Mr. ABRAHAM) proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 761) to permit and encourage the continued expansion of electronic commerce through the operation of free market forces rather than prescriptive governmental mandates and regulations; to promote public confidence in the validity, integrity and reliability of electronic commerce and online government under Federal law; to facilitate and promote electronic commerce by clarifying the legal status of electronic records and electronic signatures in the context of contract formation; to facilitate the transactions of private parties engaged in interstate transactions to agree among themselves on the appropriate electronic signature technologies for their transactions; and to promote the development of a consistent national legal infrastructure necessary to support of electronic commerce at the federal and state levels within existing areas of jurisdiction.

SEC. 3. PURPOSES.

The purposes of this Act are—

(b) to promote public confidence in the validity, integrity and reliability of electronic commerce and online government under Federal law;

(c) to facilitate and promote electronic commerce by clarifying the legal status of electronic records and electronic signatures in the context of contract formation;

(2) to promote the development of a consistent national legal infrastructure necessary to support of electronic commerce at the federal and state levels within existing areas of jurisdiction.

SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act: