

105TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 1663

To protect individuals from having their money involuntarily collected and used for politics by a corporation or labor organization.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 23, 1998

Mr. LOTT introduced the following bill; which was read twice and considered

FEBRUARY 26, 1998

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

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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 “Paycheck Protection  
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. WORKERS’ POLITICAL RIGHTS.**

7 Section 316 of the Federal Election Campaign Act  
8 of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 441b) is amended by adding the follow-  
9 ing new subsection:

1       “(c)(1) Except with the separate, prior, written, vol-  
2 untary authorization of a stockholder, employee, member,  
3 or nonmember, it shall be unlawful—

4           “(A) for any national bank or corporation de-  
5 scribed in this section to collect from or assess such  
6 stockholder or employee any dues, initiation fee, or  
7 other payment as a condition of employment if any  
8 part of such dues, fee, or payment will be used for  
9 political activities in which the national bank or cor-  
10 poration, as the case may be, is engaged; and

11          “(B) for any labor organization described in  
12 this section to collect from or assess such member  
13 or nonmember any dues, initiation fee, or other pay-  
14 ment if any part of such dues, fee, or payment will  
15 be used for political activities.

16       “(2) An authorization described in paragraph (1)  
17 shall remain in effect until revoked and may be revoked  
18 at any time.

19       “(3) For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘politi-  
20 cal activities’ includes communications or other activities  
21 which involve carrying on propaganda, attempting to influ-  
22 ence legislation, or participating or intervening in any po-  
23 litical campaign or political party.”.

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