

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2336

To amend title 35, United States Code, relating to the funding of the
United States Patent and Trademark Office.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 16, 2007

Mr. BERMAN (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COBLE,
Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California,
and Mr. CHABOT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To amend title 35, United States Code, relating to the
funding of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE FUNDING.**

4 (a) FUNDING.—Section 42 of title 35, United States
5 Code, is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (b), by striking “Appropria-
7 tion”; and

8 (2) in subsection (c), in the first sentence—

1 (A) by striking “To the extent” and all
2 that follows through “fees” and inserting
3 “Fees”; and

4 (B) by striking “shall be collected by and
5 shall be available to the Director” and inserting
6 “shall be collected by the Director and shall be
7 available until expended”.

8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by
10 subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 2007.

11 (2) TERMINATION OF APPROPRIATION.—The
12 provisions of any appropriation Act that make
13 amounts available pursuant to section 42(c) of title
14 35, United States Code, and are in effect on the ef-
15 fective date set forth in subsection (a) shall cease to
16 be effective on that effective date.

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