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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the establishment of a corporation to conceal election contributions and donations by foreign nationals.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

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 “Shell Company Abuse
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 29 of title 18, United
3 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
4 lowing:

5 **“§ 612. Establishment of corporation to conceal elec-**
6 **tion contributions and donations by for-**
7 **foreign nationals**

8 “(a) OFFENSE.—It shall be unlawful for an owner,
9 officer, attorney, or incorporation agent of a corporation,
10 company, or other entity to establish or use the corpora-
11 tion, company, or other entity with the intent to conceal
12 an activity of a foreign national (as defined in section 319
13 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C.
14 30121)) prohibited under such section 319.

15 “(b) PENALTY.—Any person who violates subsection
16 (a) shall be imprisoned for not more than 5 years, fined
17 under this title, or both.”.

18 (b) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The table of sections for
19 chapter 29 of title 18, United States Code, is amended
20 by inserting after the item relating to section 611 the fol-
21 lowing:

“612. Establishment of corporation to conceal election contributions and dona-
tions by foreign nationals.”.