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H. R. 3709

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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AN ACT

To extend for 5 years the moratorium enacted by the Internet Tax Freedom Act, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 2 This Act may be cited as the "Internet Non-
- 3 discrimination Act of 2000".
- 4 SEC. 2. 5-YEAR EXTENSION OF MORATORIUM ON STATE
- 5 AND LOCAL TAXES ON THE INTERNET.
- 6 (a) Extension of Moratorium.—Section 1101 of
- 7 title XI of division C of Public Law 105–277 (112 Stat.
- 8 2681–719; 47 U.S.C. 151 note) is amended—
- 9 (1) in subsection (a)—
- 10 (A) by striking "3 years after the date of
- the enactment of this Act" and inserting "Octo-
- ber 21, 2006"; and
- (B) in paragraph (1) by striking ", unless"
- and all that follows through "1998";
- 15 (2) by striking subsection (d); and
- 16 (3) by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as
- subsections (d) and (e), respectively.
- 18 (b) Technical Amendment.—Section 1104(10) of
- 19 title XI of division C of Public Law 105-277 (112 Stat.
- 20 2681-719; 47 U.S.C. 151 note) is amended by striking
- 21 "unless" and all that follows through "1998".
- 22 SEC. 3. APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.
- The amendments made by this Act shall not apply
- 24 with respect to conduct occurring before the date of the
- 25 enactment of this Act.

1 SEC. 4. SENSE OF THE CONGRESS.

2	It is the sense of the Congress that a State tax relat-				
3	ing to electronic commerce, to avoid being multiple or dis				
4	criminatory, should include the following:				
5	(1) a centralized, one-stop, multi-State registra-				
6	tion system for sellers;				
7	(2) uniform definitions for goods or services				
8	that might be included in the tax base;				
9	(3) uniform and simple rules for attributing				
10	transactions to particular taxing jurisdictions;				
11	(4) uniform rules for the designation and iden-				
12	2 tification of purchasers exempt from the non-mu				
13	tiple and non-discriminatory tax system, including				
14	database of all exempt entities and a rule ensuring				
15	that reliance on such database shall immunize sellers				
16	from liability;				
17	(5) uniform procedures for the certification of				
18	software that sellers rely on to determine non-mul-				
19	tiple and non-discriminatory taxes and taxability;				
20	(6) uniform bad debt rules;				
21	(7) uniform tax returns and remittance forms;				
22	(8) consistent electronic filing and remittance				
23	methods;				
24	(9) State administration of all non-multiple and				
25	non-discriminatory taxes;				
26	(10) uniform audit procedures;				

1	(11) reasonable compensation for tax collection					
2	that reflects the complexity of an individual State's					
3	tax structure, including the structure of its local					
4	taxes;					
5	(12) exemption from use tax collection require-					
6	ments for remote sellers falling below a specified de					
7	minimis threshold;					
8	(13) appropriate protections for consumer pri-					
9	vacy; and					
10	(14) such other features that the member					
11	States deem warranted to remote simplicity, uni-					
12	formity, neutrality, efficiency, and fairness.					
	Passed the House of Representatives May 10, 2000.					
	Attest: JEFF TRANDAHL,					
	Clerk.					

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