

One Hundred Eleventh Congress  
of the  
United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday,  
the fifth day of January, two thousand and ten*

An Act

To require any Federal or State court to recognize any notarization made by a notary public licensed by a State other than the State where the court is located when such notarization occurs in or affects interstate commerce.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the “Interstate Recognition of Notarizations Act of 2010”.

**SEC. 2. RECOGNITION OF NOTARIZATIONS IN FEDERAL COURTS.**

Each Federal court shall recognize any lawful notarization made by a notary public licensed or commissioned under the laws of a State other than the State where the Federal court is located if—

(1) such notarization occurs in or affects interstate commerce; and

(2)(A) a seal of office, as symbol of the notary public’s authority, is used in the notarization; or

(B) in the case of an electronic record, the seal information is securely attached to, or logically associated with, the electronic record so as to render the record tamper-resistant.

**SEC. 3. RECOGNITION OF NOTARIZATIONS IN STATE COURTS.**

Each court that operates under the jurisdiction of a State shall recognize any lawful notarization made by a notary public licensed or commissioned under the laws of a State other than the State where the court is located if—

(1) such notarization occurs in or affects interstate commerce; and

(2)(A) a seal of office, as symbol of the notary public’s authority, is used in the notarization; or

(B) in the case of an electronic record, the seal information is securely attached to, or logically associated with, the electronic record so as to render the record tamper-resistant.

**SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.**

In this Act:

(1) **ELECTRONIC RECORD.**—The term “electronic record” has the meaning given that term in section 106 of the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (15 U.S.C. 7006).

(2) **LOGICALLY ASSOCIATED WITH.**—Seal information is “logically associated with” an electronic record if the seal information is securely bound to the electronic record in such a manner

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as to make it impracticable to falsify or alter, without detection,  
either the record or the seal information.

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

*Vice President of the United States and  
President of the Senate.*