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H. R. 399

To amend title 18, United States Code, regarding false identification documents.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Wynn introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 "False Identification
- 5 Act of 1995".
- 6 SEC. 2. MINIMUM NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS FOR CERTAIN
- 7 **OFFENSE**.
- 8 Section 1028 of title 18, United States Code, is
- 9 amended—

1	(1) in subsection (a)(3), by striking "five" and
2	inserting "3"; and
3	(2) in subsection (b)(1)(B), by striking "five"
4	and inserting "3".
5	SEC. 3. REQUIRED VERIFICATION OF MAILED IDENTIFICA-
6	TION DOCUMENTS.
7	(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 83 of title 18, United
8	States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-
9	ing:
10	"§ 1739. Verification of identification documents
11	"(a) Whoever knowingly sends through the mails any
12	unverified identification document which bears a birth
13	date—
14	"(1) purporting to be that of the individual
15	named in the document; and
16	"(2) showing that individual to be 21 years of
17	age or older;
18	when in fact that individual has not attained the age of
19	21 years, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not
20	more than one year, or both.
21	"(b) As used in this section—
22	"(1) the term 'unverified', with respect to an
23	identification document, means that the sender has
24	not personally viewed a certification or other written

1	communication confirming the age of the individual
2	to be identified in the document from—
3	"(A) a governmental entity within the
4	United States or any of its territories or posses-
5	sions; or
6	"(B) a duly licensed physician, hospital,
7	medical clinic within the United States; and
8	"(2) the term 'identification document' means a
9	card, certificate, or paper intended to be used pri-
10	marily to identify an individual.".
11	(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
12	at the beginning of chapter 83 of title 18, United States
13	Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
14	item:
	"1739. Verification of identification documents.".

15 (c) Conforming Amendment.—Section 3001(a) of 16 title 39, United States Code, is amended by striking "or 17 1738" and inserting "1738, or 1739".