

105TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 4197

To repeal section 656 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, to prohibit Federal agencies from construing Federal law as authorizing the establishment of a national identification card, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 14, 1998

Mr. BARR of Georgia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight

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 “Citizen’s Privacy Pro-
5 tection Act of 1998”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF SECTION 656 OF IIRIRA.**

2 Section 656 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and
3 Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (5 U.S.C. 301 note)
4 is repealed.

5 **SEC. 3. NO AUTHORITY FOR NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION**
6 **CARD.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
8 sion of law, a Federal agency may not construe Federal
9 law as authorizing, directly or indirectly—

10 (1) the issuance or use of a national identifica-
11 tion card;

12 (2) the establishment of a national identifica-
13 tion card;

14 (3) the agency to direct a State to issue or
15 modify an identification card or document for the
16 purpose of satisfying a Federal requirement; or

17 (4) the agency to limit the State-issued driver’s
18 licenses (or other comparable identification docu-
19 ment) that the agency will accept for identification-
20 related purposes to licenses or documents that sat-
21 isfy Federal requirements.

22 (b) FEDERAL AGENCY DEFINED.—For purposes of
23 this section, the term “Federal agency” means any of the
24 following:

25 (1) An Executive agency (as defined in section
26 105 of title 5, United States Code).

1 (2) A military department (as defined in section
2 102 of such title).

3 (3) An agency in the legislative branch of the
4 Government of the United States.

5 (4) An agency in the judicial branch of the Gov-
6 ernment of the United States.

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