# S. 328

To amend the National Labor Relations Act to protect employer rights, and for other purposes.

### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Hutchinson (for himself, Mr. Nickles, Mr. Warner, Mr. Mack, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Brownback, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Gorton, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Gregg, Mr. Allard, Mr. Lott, Mr. Sessions, and Mr. Faircloth) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources

## 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 "Truth in Employment
- 5 Act of 1997".
- 6 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
- 7 Congress finds the following:

- (1) An atmosphere of trust and civility in labormanagement relationships is essential to a productive workplace and a healthy economy.
  - (2) The tactic of using professional union organizers and agents to infiltrate a targeted employer's workplace (a practice commonly referred to as "salting") has evolved into an aggressive form of harassment not contemplated when the National Labor Relations Act (29 U.S.C. 151 et seq.) was enacted and threatens the balance of rights that is fundamental to the collective bargaining system of the United States.
  - (3) Increasingly, union organizers are seeking employment with nonunion employers not because of a desire to work for such employers but primarily to organize the employees of such employers or to inflict economic harm specifically designed to put non-union competitors out of business.
  - (4) While no employer may discriminate against employees based upon the views of the employees concerning collective bargaining, an employer should have the right to expect job applicants to be primarily interested in utilizing the skills of the applicants to further the goals of the business of the employer.

### SEC. 3. PURPOSES.

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2	The purposes	of this Act	are—

- (1) to preserve the balance of rights between employers, employees, and labor organizations that is fundamental to a system of collective bargaining;
- (2) to preserve the rights of employees to organize, or otherwise engage in concerted activities protected under the National Labor Relations Act; and
- 9 (3) to alleviate pressure on employers to hire 10 individuals who seek or gain employment in order to 11 disrupt the workplace of the employer or otherwise 12 inflict economic harm designed to put the employer 13 out of business.

#### 14 SEC. 4. PROTECTION OF EMPLOYER RIGHTS.

- 15 Section 8(a) of the National Labor Relations Act (29
- 16 U.S.C. 158(a)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 17 lowing flush sentence:
- 18 "Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as requir-
- 19 ing an employer to employ any person who seeks or has
- 20 sought employment with the employer in furtherance of
- 21 the objectives of an organization other than the em-
- 22 ployer.".

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