

109TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 2679

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

AN ACT

To amend the Revised Statutes of the United States to prevent the use of the legal system in a manner that extorts money from State and local governments, and the Federal Government, and inhibits such governments' constitutional actions under the first, tenth, and fourteenth amendments.

1 (b) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term
2 “a claim of injury consisting of the violation of a prohibi-
3 tion in the Constitution against the establishment of reli-
4 gion” includes, but is not limited to, a claim of injury re-
5 sulting from—

6 (1) a veterans’ memorial’s containing religious
7 words or imagery;

8 (2) a Federal building’s containing religious
9 words or imagery;

10 (3) the presence of religious words or imagery
11 in the official seal of the United States and in its
12 currency and official Pledge; or

13 (4) the chartering of Boy Scout units by com-
14 ponents of the Armed Forces of the United States
15 and by other public entities, and the Boy Scouts’
16 using Department of Defense and other public in-
17 stallations.

18 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

19 This Act and the amendments made by this Act take
20 effect on the date of the enactment of this Act and apply
21 to any case that—

22 (1) is pending on such date of enactment; or

1 (2) is commenced on or after such date of en-
2 actment.

 Passed the House of Representatives September 26,
2006.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.