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H. R. 8718

To extend the statute of limitations for offenses under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 30, 2020

Ms. SPEIER (for herself, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. NORTON, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

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. EXTENSION OF STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR**
4 **OFFENSES UNDER FEDERAL ELECTION CAM-**
5 **PAIGN ACT OF 1971.**

6 (a) CIVIL OFFENSES.—Section 309(a) of the Federal
7 Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30109(a)) is
8 amended by inserting after paragraph (9) the following
9 new paragraph:

1 “(10) No person shall be subject to a civil penalty
2 under this subsection with respect to a violation of this
3 Act unless a complaint is filed with the Commission with
4 respect to the violation under paragraph (1), or the Com-
5 mission responds to information with respect to the viola-
6 tion which is ascertained in the normal course of carrying
7 out its supervisory responsibilities under paragraph (2),
8 not later than 15 years after the date on which the viola-
9 tion occurred.”.

10 (b) CRIMINAL OFFENSES.—Section 406(a) of such
11 Act (52 U.S.C. 30145(a)) is amended by striking “5
12 years” and inserting “10 years”.

13 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
14 this section shall apply with respect to violations occurring
15 on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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