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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HAMADEH of Arizona (for himself, Mr. GILL of Texas, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. JACKSON of Texas, Mr. BAUMGARTNER, Mrs. SPARTZ, and Mr. HARRIGAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Voting Only Through
5 English Act” or the “VOTE Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON FUNDING.**

2 Notwithstanding the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52
3 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.) or any other provision of law, a
4 State shall be ineligible to receive Federal funds provided
5 for purposes of the administration of elections for Federal
6 office for any fiscal year during which the State provides
7 ballots for an election for Federal office that include text
8 in any language other than English.

9 **SEC. 3. ELIMINATION OF PROHIBITION OF ENGLISH-ONLY**
10 **ELECTIONS.**

11 Section 4(f) of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52
12 U.S.C. 10303(f)) is amended—

- 13 (1) by striking paragraphs (1), (3), and (4);
14 and
15 (2) by striking “(2) No” and inserting “No”.

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