

# H. R. 4027

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 25, 2019

Mr. GOSAR (for himself, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. KING of Iowa, and Mr. NORMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the “Stop the Censorship Act”.

### **SEC. 2. REVOCATION OF IMMUNITIES.**

Section 230(c) of the Communications Act of 1934 ([47 U.S.C. 230\(c\)](#)) is amended—

(1) in the heading, by striking “AND SCREENING OF OFFENSIVE MATERIAL” and inserting “OF UNLAWFUL OR OBJECTIONABLE MATERIAL”; and

(2) in paragraph (2)—

(A) in subparagraph (A)—

(i) by striking “material that the provider or user considers to be obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy, excessively violent, harassing, or otherwise objectionable, whether or not such material is constitutionally protected” and inserting “unlawful material”; and

(ii) by striking “; or” and inserting a semicolon;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “paragraph (1).” and inserting “subparagraph (A); or”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(C) any action taken to provide users with the option to restrict access to any other material, whether or not such material is constitutionally protected.”.

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