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HR 5699

Blogger Protection Act of 2008 Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 3, 2008)

Blogger Protection Act of 2008 - Amends the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to: (1) exempt uncompensated individual Internet activity from treatment as a contribution to or expenditure of a campaign for federal office; and (2) cover blogs and other Internet and electronic publications under the general media exemption pertaining to expenditures.

Actions Timeline

- Apr 3, 2008: Introduced in House
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