

117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 215

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 5, 2021

Mr. Stewart 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. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Victims' Voice and
- 5 Transparency Act".

1	SEC. 2. PROHIBITING IMPOSITION OF NONDISCLOSURE
2	AGREEMENT AS CONDITION OF AWARD OR
3	SETTLEMENT UNDER CONGRESSIONAL AC-
4	COUNTABILITY ACT OF 1995.
5	(a) Prohibition.—Section 401 of the Congressional
6	Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1401) is amended
7	by adding at the end the following new subsection:
8	"(h) Prohibiting Imposition of Nondisclosure
9	AGREEMENTS.—A nondisclosure agreement may not be
10	imposed on any party as a condition of the payment of
11	any award or settlement in connection with a violation of
12	part A of title II.".
13	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
14	subsection (a) shall apply with respect to awards and set-
15	tlements paid in connection with the Congressional Ac-
16	countability Act of 1995 on or after the date of the enact-
17	ment of this Act.

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