

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

To require the Securities and Exchange Commission to implement rules simplifying the quarterly financial reporting regime.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M. _____ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Streamlining Disclo-
5 sure Options to Reduce Redundant Disclosures to Inves-
6 tors Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ISSUER OPTION FOR SIMPLIFIED QUARTERLY FI-**
2 **NANCIAL REPORTING.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Securities and Ex-
5 change Commission shall issue such rules as the Commis-
6 sion determines may be necessary or appropriate in the
7 public interest or for the protection of investors to allow
8 issuers of securities traded on a national securities ex-
9 change to elect to disclose quarterly financial information
10 in a simplified manner, such as through a press release
11 or by a shortened form. In issuing such disclosure rules,
12 the Commission shall—

13 (1) amend rules issued pursuant to sections
14 13(a) and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of
15 1934 to permit issuers of securities traded on a na-
16 tional securities exchange to disclose quarterly finan-
17 cial information in a manner other than through fil-
18 ing a Form 10-Q;

19 (2) require financial statements disclosed pur-
20 suant to such rules to include a quarterly income
21 statement, a balance sheet as of the last day of the
22 quarter, and a statement of operations, all prepared
23 in accordance with such rules as the Commission
24 may adopt consistent with this Act;

25 (3) not provide any exemption with respect to
26 the requirements of section 302 of the Sarbanes-

1 Oxley Act of 2002 and section 1350 of title 18,
2 United States Code; and

3 (4) require that such disclosures include a
4 statement of any material changes in financial con-
5 dition or results of operations since the end of the
6 issuer's most recent financial statements disclosed
7 pursuant to the Commission's rules.

8 (b) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

9 (1) NATIONAL SECURITIES EXCHANGE.—The
10 term “national securities exchange” means an ex-
11 change registered as a national securities exchange
12 pursuant to section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act
13 of 1934.

14 (2) OTHER TERMS.—The terms “Commission”,
15 “issuer”, and “security” have the meaning given
16 those terms, respectively, under section 3 of the Se-
17 curities Exchange Act of 1934.