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H. R. 2896

To amend title 1, United States Code, to clarify that certain tax exemptions are not treated as Federal financial assistance.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. STEUBE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Safeguarding Charity
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE NOT TO INCLUDE**
7 **CERTAIN TAX BENEFITS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 of title 1, United
9 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
10 lowing new section:

1 **“SEC. 9. FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.**

2 “In the case of any organization described in sub-
3 section (c) or (d) of section 501 of the Internal Revenue
4 Code of 1986 or any organization described in section
5 401(a) of such Code, for purposes of any Federal law,
6 rule, or regulation, unless explicitly provided otherwise,
7 the term ‘Federal financial assistance,’ or any other term
8 referring to assistance provided by the Federal Govern-
9 ment, shall not include any exemption from Federal in-
10 come tax.”.

11 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
12 for chapter 1 of title 1, United States Code, is amended
13 by adding at the end the following new item:

“9. Federal financial assistance.”.

14 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
15 tion or the amendments made by this section shall be con-
16 strued to imply that an exemption from Federal income
17 taxes under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code
18 of 1986 constituted assistance from the Federal Govern-
19 ment for periods before the date of the enactment of this
20 Act.

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