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H. R. 9577

To amend section 304 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to affirm access for congressional election observers to primary elections for Federal office, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FULLER 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 “COCOA Voter Integ-
5 rity and Primaries Act” or the “COCOA-VIP Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CLARIFICATION OF “ELECTION FOR FEDERAL OF-**
2 **FICE”.**

3 Section 304 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002
4 (52 U.S.C. 21083a) is amended by adding at the end the
5 following:

6 “(f) ELECTION FOR FEDERAL OFFICE DEFINED.—

7 “(1) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term
8 ‘election for Federal office’ includes any general,
9 special, primary, or runoff election conducted by bal-
10 lot in which one or more candidates for the United
11 States Senate or the United States House of Rep-
12 resentatives (including any Delegate or Resident
13 Commissioner to the Congress) appear on the offi-
14 cial ballot.

15 “(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in
16 this section shall be construed to require a State or
17 political party to provide observer access to party
18 conventions, caucuses, or other candidate selection
19 processes that do not involve ballots listing can-
20 didates for Federal office.”.

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