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H. R. 5508

To amend the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to remove certain restrictions on advertising and public relations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. AGUILAR introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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 “Job Opportunity and
5 Business Services Act” or the “JOBS Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ADVERTISING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS.**

7 (a) REPORTS.—Section 185(d)(1) of the Workforce
8 Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3245(d)(1))
9 is amended—

1 (1) in subparagraph (D), by striking “and” at
2 the end;

3 (2) in subparagraph (E), by striking the period
4 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(F) the advertising budget and a descrip-
7 tion of the advertising for which funds received
8 under this title were used.”.

9 (b) CLARIFICATION ON ADVERTISING AND PUBLIC
10 RELATIONS COSTS.—Section 195 of the Workforce Inno-
11 vation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3255) is amend-
12 ed—

13 (1) in subsection (a)(2)—

14 (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking “or”
15 at the end;

16 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking the
17 period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

18 (C) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(D) public relations and advertising costs
20 for program outreach or activities otherwise re-
21 lated to carrying out the purposes of this Act
22 under section 2.”; and

23 (2) by adding at the end the following:

24 “(c) REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REGULATORY RESTRIC-
25 TIONS.—None of the restrictions on advertising or public

1 relations described in section 200.421 of title 2, Code of
2 Federal Regulations (or successor regulations), shall apply
3 to this title.”.

4 **SEC. 3. REGULATIONS.**

5 Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment
6 of this Act, the Secretary of Labor shall issue regulations
7 to place safeguards on funds received under title I of the
8 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C.
9 3111 et seq.) that may be used to advertise to the public
10 to ensure that such funds are not used in a fraudulent
11 manner or in any way misappropriated.

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