

117TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1949

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 16, 2021

Ms. TENNEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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sight.

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 “Upholding the Integ-  
5 rity of Public Officials Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. STRENGTHENING ACCOUNTABILITY AND OVER-**  
2 **SIGHT.**

3 Section 201(a) of title 18, United States Code, is  
4 amended by amending paragraph (3) to read as follows:

5 “(3) the term ‘official act’ includes any action  
6 taken or to be taken under color of official authority  
7 by a public official or person who has been selected  
8 to be a public official.”

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