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H. R. 4113

To prohibit agencies from removing or altering public comments on their websites.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 14, 2023

Mr. DONALDS (for himself, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. GROTHMAN, and Mr. BURLISON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability

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 “No Altering Public
5 Comments Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION FROM DELETING PUBLIC COMMENTS**
7 **ON AGENCY WEBSITES.**

8 (a) PROHIBITION.—An agency may not remove or
9 alter any public comment submitted to or published on

1 the website of an agency unless such comment is threat-
2 ening or harms national security.

3 (b) AGENCY DEFINED.—In this section, the term
4 “agency” has the meaning given that term in section 551
5 of title 5, United States Code.

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