AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1
OFFERED BY MR. GOHMERT OF TEXAS

Page 264, insert after line 20 the following (and redesignate the succeeding section accordingly):

SEC. 1933. PROHIBITING PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN ENTITIES IN ADMINISTRATION OF ELECTIONS.

(a) Prohibition.—Title IX of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21141 et seq.), as amended by section 1932(a), is amended adding at the end the following new section:

"SEC. 908. PROHIBITING PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN ENTITIES IN ADMINISTRATION OF ELECTIONS.

  (a) Prohibition.—Each State shall ensure that no foreign entity carries out any role in the administration of elections for Federal office in the State, including providing, maintaining, programming, operating, storing, or compiling any of the equipment, software, supplies, or information used in the administration of the election.

  (b) Role of Nonprofit Organizations.—A nonprofit organization may not carry out any activities related to voting or elections for public office in a State if the organization accepts any funds from a foreign entity."
“(c) Enforcement.—For purposes of title IV, the requirements of this section shall be considered a requirement under subtitle A of title III.

“(d) Foreign Entity Defined.—In this section, the term ‘foreign entity’ means—

“(1) any individual who is not a citizen or national of the United States;

“(2) any person who is a foreign principal described in section 1(b) of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended (22 U.S.C. 611(b));

“(3) any partnership, association, corporation, or other business organization in which any individual described in paragraph (1) or any person described in paragraph (2) directly or indirectly owns or controls any voting share or directly or indirectly has any ownership interest; and

“(4) any person (including a citizen or national of the United States) who, at the time of carrying out any role requiring connection to or use of the Internet in the administration of an election for Federal office, is not present in a State, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, or any other territory of the United States.
Islands, or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.”.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents of title IX of such Act, as amended by section 1932(b), is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

“Sec. 908. Prohibiting participation of foreign entities in administration of elections.”.