

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 8469, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. ROY OF TEXAS

At the end of the bill (before the short title) insert the following:

1 SEC. _____. (a) Notwithstanding section 7 of title 1,
2 United States Code, section 1738C of title 28, United
3 States Code, or any other provision of law, none of the
4 funds provided by this Act, or previous appropriations
5 Acts, may be used in whole or in part to take any discrimi-
6 natory action against a person, wholly or partially, on the
7 basis that such person speaks, or acts, in accordance with
8 a sincerely held religious belief, or moral conviction, that
9 marriage is, or should be recognized as, a union of one
10 man and one woman.

11 (b) As used in subsection (a), the term “discrimina-
12 tory action” means any action taken by the Federal Gov-
13 ernment to—

14 (1) alter in any way the Federal tax treatment
15 of, or cause any tax, penalty, or payment to be as-
16 sessed against, or deny, delay, or revoke an exemp-
17 tion from taxation under section 501(a) of the Inter-
18 nal Revenue Code of 1986 of, any person referred to
19 in subsection (a);

1 (2) disallow a deduction for Federal tax pur-
2 poses of any charitable contribution made to or by
3 such person;

4 (3) withhold, reduce the amount or funding for,
5 exclude, terminate, or otherwise make unavailable or
6 deny, any Federal grant, contract, subcontract, co-
7 operative agreement, guarantee, loan, scholarship, li-
8 cense, certification, accreditation, employment, or
9 other similar position or status from or to such per-
10 son;

11 (4) withhold, reduce, exclude, terminate, or oth-
12 erwise make unavailable or deny, any entitlement or
13 benefit under a Federal benefit program, including
14 admission to, equal treatment in, or eligibility for a
15 degree from an educational program, from or to
16 such person; or

17 (5) withhold, reduce, exclude, terminate, or oth-
18 erwise make unavailable or deny access or an entitle-
19 ment to Federal property, facilities, educational in-
20 stitutions, speech fora (including traditional, limited,
21 and nonpublic fora), or charitable fundraising cam-
22 paigns from or to such person.

23 (c) The Federal Government shall consider accred-
24 ited, licensed, or certified for purposes of Federal law any
25 person that would be accredited, licensed, or certified, re-

1 spectively, for such purposes but for a determination
2 against such person wholly or partially on the basis that
3 the person speaks, or acts, in accordance with a sincerely
4 held religious belief or moral conviction described in sub-
5 section (a).

