

118TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5900

To prohibit individuals from publicizing certain information relating to security clearances.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 6, 2023

Mr. GAETZ introduced the following bill

OCTOBER 25, 2023

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Security Clearance Re-
5 volving Door Act of 2023”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON PUBLICIZING CERTAIN INFORMA-**
7 **TION RELATING TO SECURITY CLEARANCES.**

8 (a) PROHIBITION ON PUBLICIZING CERTAIN INFOR-
9 MATION RELATING TO SECURITY CLEARANCE.—Chapter

1 93 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding
2 at the end the following:

3 **“§ 1925. Prohibition on publicizing certain informa-**
4 **tion relating to security clearances**

5 “(a) OFFENSE.—Whoever, having received notice of
6 a favorable adjudication with respect to a security clear-
7 ance investigation, periodic reinvestigation, or other deter-
8 mination of eligibility to access classified information by
9 an authorized adjudicative agency, publishes the fact of
10 such favorable adjudication during the period of the cur-
11 rent investigation file shall be fined not more than \$1000,
12 imprisoned for a term of not more than one year, or both.

13 “(b) EXCEPTION.—It shall not be an offense under
14 this section for an individual who has received a favorable
15 adjudication specified in subsection (a) to include the fact
16 of such favorable adjudication in connection with an appli-
17 cation for a position of employment or for a governmental
18 contract (or a subcontract thereof), where such favorable
19 adjudication is a requirement for such employment or con-
20 tract.

21 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms ‘au-
22 thorized adjudicative agency’, ‘current investigation file’,
23 and ‘periodic reinvestigation’ have the meanings given
24 those terms in section 3001(a) of the Intelligence Reform

1 and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (50 U.S.C.
2 3341(a)).”.

3 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
4 at the beginning of chapter 93 of title 18, United States
5 Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to
6 section 1924 the following new section:

“1925. Prohibition on publicizing certain information relating to security clear-
ances.”.

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