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118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. OGLES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

A BILL

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circumstances.

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 “Let Trump Speak
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON GAG ORDERS.**

7 No judge of the United States or of any State may
8 issue a gag order to the defendant in any criminal or civil
9 proceedings except to prevent the disclosure of confidential

1 information provided in discovery, to protect the privacy
2 of minors, or as part of a plea agreement.

3 **SEC. 3. RIGHT OF ACTION.**

4 Anyone issued a gag order in violation of this Act
5 may commence a civil action seeking injunctive relief in
6 the appropriate United States district court.

7 **SEC. 4. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**

8 Nothing in this Act may be construed as limiting a
9 judge's authority to issue orders to officers of the court.