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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 13, 2021

Mr. CONNOLLY (for himself and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Preventing a Patron-
age System Act” or the “PPSA Act”.

SEC. 2. LIMITATIONS ON EXCEPTION OF COMPETITIVE SERVICE POSITIONS.

(a) In General.—No position in the competitive service (as defined under section 2102 of title 5, United
States Code) may be excepted from the competitive service unless such position is placed—

(1) in any of the schedules A through E as described in section 6.2 of title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on September 30, 2020; and

(2) under the terms and conditions under part 6 of such title as in effect on such date.

(b) Subsequent Transfers.—No position in the excepted service (as defined under section 2103 of title 5, United States Code) may be placed in any schedule other than a schedule described in subsection (a)(1).