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H. R. 319

To amend title 18, United States Code, to make the knowing disclosure of classified information by Federal officers and employees a criminal offense.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 1995

Mr. McCOLLUM introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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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 “National Security and
5 Classified Information Protection Act of 1995”.

6 **SEC. 2. SECTION 798 AMENDMENT.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 798 of title 18, United
8 States Code, is amended by inserting after subsection (a)
9 the following:

1 “(b) Whoever, being or having been an officer or em-
2 ployee of the Federal Government, knowingly discloses,
3 communicates, furnishes, transmits, publishes, or other-
4 wise makes available to an unauthorized person, any clas-
5 sified information, document, or material to which such
6 person had access in the course of that Federal Govern-
7 ment office or employment, shall be fined under this title
8 or imprisoned not more than 20 years, or both.”.

9 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—
10 Section 798 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (b), by striking “subsection
12 (a)” and inserting “subsections (a) and (b)”; and

13 (2) by redesignating subsections (b) (c), and (d)
14 as subsections (c) and (d), respectively.

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