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H. R. 4512

To amend section 416 of title 39, United States Code, to remove the authority of the United States Postal Service to issue semipostals except as provided for by an Act of Congress, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BURGESS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

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 “Semipostal Stamp
5 Clarification Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE**
2 **SEMIPOSTAL STAMP AUTHORITY.**

3 Section 416 of title 39, United States Code, is
4 amended—

5 (1) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the
6 following:

7 “(b) LIMITED AUTHORITY.—The Postal Service may
8 issue and sell semipostals under this section only for such
9 purposes or causes as provided for by an Act of Con-
10 gress.”;

11 (2) in subsection (d)—

12 (A) in paragraph (1)—

13 (i) by striking “appropriate agency or
14 agencies” and inserting “appropriate agen-
15 cy or entity, as provided for by an Act of
16 Congress pursuant to subsection (b),”; and

17 (ii) by striking “such agency” and in-
18 serting “such agency or entity”;

19 (B) by striking paragraph (2);

20 (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
21 paragraph (2); and

22 (D) in paragraph (2), as redesignated by
23 subparagraph (C) of this paragraph, by amend-
24 ing subparagraph (B) to read as follows:

25 “(B) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—The Post-
26 al Service shall issue regulations addressing

1 how the costs incurred by the Postal Service in
2 carrying out this section shall be computed, re-
3 covered, and kept to a minimum.”;

4 (3) by striking subsection (e); and

5 (4) by redesignating subsections (f) and (g) as
6 subsections (e) and (f), respectively.

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