

**COMPARISON OF THE IMPACT ON SMALL SPEAKERS
OF H.R. 1606 AND H.R. 4900**

Key: BCRA = Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act

FECA = Federal Election Campaign Act

Small speaker = A blogger or other citizen who spends less than \$5,000 a year on online speech advocating for a political candidate

Group of small speakers = Two or more individuals who spend less than \$10,000 per year on online speech advocating for a political candidate

	Would BCRA's rules on "public communications" apply to small speakers online?	Would FECA's reporting requirements apply to small speakers online?	Would FECA's disclaimer requirements apply to small speakers online?	Would FECA's political committee rules apply to a group of small speakers online?	Would FECA's media exemption include Internet-based journalists and bloggers?
If H.R. 1606 is enacted	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
If H.R. 4900 is enacted	No	No	No	No	Yes

**COMPARISON OF THE IMPACT ON BROADER CAMPAIGN FINANCE RULES
OF H.R. 1606 AND H.R. 4900**

Key: N/A = Not applicable

Grey shading = Unaffected by either H.R. 1606 or H.R. 4900

	Would BCRA's rules on "public communications" apply to online speech?	Would FECA's reporting requirements apply to online speech?	Would FECA's disclaimer requirements apply to online speech?	Would FECA's political committee rules apply to online speech?	Would FECA's media exemption cover online speakers?
Political candidates	H.R. 1606 would create exemption	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A
State Political Parties	H.R. 1606 would create exemption	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A
Companies	H.R. 1606 would create exemption	Yes	Yes	Yes	No under 1606; yes under 4900
Small speakers	Both 1606 & 4900 would create exemption	H.R. 4900 would create exemption	H.R. 4900 would create exemption	H.R. 4900 would create exemption	No under 1606; yes under 4900