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H. R. 3032

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to permit candidates for election for Federal office to designate an individual who will be authorized to disburse funds of the authorized campaign committees of the candidate in the event of the death of the candidate.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. JONES of North Carolina introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO**
2 **MAKE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE DISBURSE-**
3 **MENTS IN EVENT OF DEATH OF CANDIDATE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 302 of the Federal Elec-
5 tion Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 432) is amended
6 by adding at the end the following new subsection:

7 “(j)(1) Each candidate may, with respect to each au-
8 thorized committee of the candidate, designate an indi-
9 vidual who shall be responsible for disbursing funds in the
10 accounts of the committee in the event of the death of
11 the candidate.

12 “(2) Upon the death of a candidate who has des-
13 ignated an individual for purposes of paragraph (1), funds
14 in the accounts of each authorized committee of the can-
15 didate may be disbursed only under the direction and in
16 accordance with the instructions of such individual, sub-
17 ject to the terms and conditions applicable to the disburse-
18 ment of such funds under this Act or any other applicable
19 Federal or State law.

20 “(3) Nothing in paragraph (2) may be construed to
21 affect the responsibility of the treasurer of an authorized
22 committee for which funds are disbursed in accordance
23 with such paragraph to file reports of the disbursements
24 of such funds under section 304(a).”.

25 (b) INCLUSION OF DESIGNATION IN STATEMENT OF
26 ORGANIZATION OF COMMITTEE.—Section 303(b) of the

1 Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 433(b))
2 is amended—

3 (1) in paragraph (5), by striking “and” at the
4 end;

5 (2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at
6 the end and inserting “; and”; and

7 (3) by adding at the end the following new
8 paragraph:

9 “(7) in the case of an authorized committee of
10 a candidate who has designated an individual under
11 section 302(j) to disburse funds from the accounts
12 of the committee in the event of the death of the
13 candidate, the name and address of the individual.”.

14 **SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

15 The amendments made by this Act shall apply with
16 respect to authorized campaign committees which are des-
17 ignated under section 302(e)(1) of the Federal Election
18 Campaign Act of 1971 before, on, or after the date of the
19 enactment of this Act.

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