



The Honorable  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator,

On behalf of our 500,000 members nationwide, Concerned Women for America Legislative Action Committee (CWALAC) wishes to express our support for the Stop Targeting of Political Beliefs by the IRS Act of 2014, S. 2011. This legislation, introduced by Senator Jeff Flake (R-Arizona), would prohibit the Internal Revenue Services (IRS) proposed regulations from being implemented.

The IRS proposed regulation would restrict the first amendment free speech rights by deeming activities as “Candidate Related Political Activity.” The activities that would be restricted include currently permissible activities like voter registration drives, candidate forums or debates, voter guides, and scorecards. Further, this regulation would restrict any support or opposition to an incumbent federal, state, or local politician within 30 days of a primary or 60 days of a general election and require groups the costly and problematic task of removing any reference to these officials from their websites during those times.

Grassroots lobbying and advocacy on public policy issues is an intrinsic part of our 501 (c) (4) activities. It is unjust to gag groups like ours while allowing others, like labor unions to have a voice. S. 2011 will ensure that the IRS is unable to impinge on our rights of association and speech.

We urge you to cosponsor and support S. 2011 to protect our first amendment rights. If this legislation is considered on the Senate floor, CWALAC will score in favor of it and will include the vote in our annual scorecard.

Sincerely,

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