

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To amend title 28, United States Code, to limit the authority of district courts to provide injunctive relief, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. COTTON introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Nationwide Injunction
5 Abuse Prevention Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY OF UNITED STATES**
2 **DISTRICT COURTS TO PROVIDE INJUNCTIVE**
3 **RELIEF.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 85 of title 28, United
5 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing:

7 **“§ 1370. Limitation on authority to provide injunctive**
8 **relief**

9 “Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no dis-
10 trict court may issue any order providing injunctive relief
11 unless the order is applicable only to—

12 “(1) the parties to the case before the district
13 court; or

14 “(2) the judicial district in which the order is
15 issued.”.

16 (b) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The table of sections for
17 chapter 84 of title 28, United States Code, is amended
18 by adding at the end the following:

“1370. Limitation on authority to provide injunctive relief.”.