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“COMMON GROUND”

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(Oct. 5, 2013) — True to form, the obama regime sycophants in the mainstream media are now retreating from the term “obamacare” for fear that it has become too much of a derogatory [term](#).

The Associated Press Word Police (“APWP”) have now issued a writing-style all points bulletin (“APB”) [advisory](#) “suggesting” that reporters avoid the term “obamacare” as much as possible. Instead, it is recommended that reporters utilize variations on the actual title of the law, originally enacted as the comically (and purposely) mislabeled “Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act,” sometimes bearing the unpronounceable acronym “PPAACA.”

Mr. Tom Kent, deputy managing editor and standards editor of the AP, is responsible for “accuracy and balance” (really...?) across all AP news services. He notes in his missive (erroneously) that the term “Affordable Care Act” (or “ACA”) is “the official name of the law.”

No, it isn’t. Strike one, Tom.

The legislation rammed (unread) through the Congress and signed (un-comprehended) into “law” by the Emperor at 1600 is entitled “The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act” and became [Public Law 111-148](#).

The term “obamacare” – regardless of who coined the term – has become a shorthand way of referring to that collection of statutes, regulations and executive order exemptions (likely entirely unconstitutional) which, even as we speak, is entering the initial stages of a Three-Mile Island nuclear reactor [meltdown](#)...but without the charm.

Plainly, the debate over what to call the law detracts from the more serious problems burdening implementation of the law now commanding attention.

Accordingly, in an attempt to foster some reconciliation between the warring camps as well as to bring clarity and stability to the issue of how, precisely, references to the law should be hereafter made, I offer a suggestion which should appeal to both Democrats and Republicans.

Since the Democrats believe the law to be “constitutional,” while the Republicans believe the law to be “cataclysmic,” perhaps some common ground exists. The Democrats could refer to the law as the “Constitutional Affordable Care Act” while the Republicans could refer to it as the “Cataclysmic Affordable Care Act.”

In either event, the acronym for the law could thus become: “CACA.”

Over to you, Tom.