

#### 115TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H. RES. 173

Providing for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Fifteenth Congress.

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Harper submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

## RESOLUTION

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- 1 Resolved,
- 2 SECTION 1. COMMITTEE EXPENSES FOR THE ONE HUN-
- 3 DRED FIFTEENTH CONGRESS.
- 4 (a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the One Hundred
- 5 Fifteenth Congress, there shall be paid out of the applica-
- 6 ble accounts of the House of Representatives, in accord-
- 7 ance with this primary expense resolution, not more than
- 8 the amount specified in subsection (b) for the expenses
- 9 (including the expenses of all staff salaries) of each com-
- 10 mittee named in such subsection.

- 1 (b) Committees and Amounts.—The committees
- 2 and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee
- 3 on Agriculture, \$11,437,517; Committee on Armed Serv-
- 4 ices, \$16,188,340; Committee on the Budget,
- 5 \$10,380,424; Committee on Education and the Workforce,
- 6 \$14,454,212; Committee on Energy and Commerce,
- 7 \$20,531,442; Committee on Ethics, \$6,681,326; Com-
- 8 mittee on Financial Services, \$16,580,450; Committee on
- 9 Foreign Affairs, \$15,673,986; Committee on Homeland
- 10 Security, \$15,007,846; Committee on House Administra-
- 11 tion, \$10,343,130; Permanent Select Committee on Intel-
- 12 ligence, \$12,100,000; Committee on the Judiciary,
- 13 \$15,350,572; Committee on Natural Resources,
- 14 \$13,758,344; Committee on Oversight and Government
- 15 Reform, \$18,259,682; Committee on Rules, \$6,460,562;
- 16 Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,
- 17 \$10,969,956; Committee on Small Business, \$6,287,037;
- 18 Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,
- 19 \$17,416,000; Committee on Veterans' Affairs,
- 20 \$7,958,062; and Committee on Ways and Means,
- 21 \$17,940,692.

#### 22 SEC. 2. FIRST SESSION LIMITATIONS.

- 23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in
- 24 section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not
- 25 more than the amount specified in such subsection shall

- 1 be available for expenses incurred during the period begin-
- 2 ning at noon on January 3, 2017, and ending immediately
- 3 before noon on January 3, 2018.
- 4 (b) Committees and Amounts.—The committees
- 5 and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee
- 6 on Agriculture, \$5,699,668; Committee on Armed Serv-
- 7 ices, \$8,094,170; Committee on the Budget, \$5,190,212;
- 8 Committee on Education and the Workforce, \$7,146,429;
- 9 Committee on Energy and Commerce, \$10,265,721; Com-
- 10 mittee on Ethics, \$3,340,663; Committee on Financial
- 11 Services, \$8,290,225; Committee on Foreign Affairs,
- 12 \$7,836,993; Committee on Homeland Security,
- 13 \$7,503,923; Committee on House Administration,
- 14 \$5,021,565; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence,
- 15 \$6,050,000; Committee on the Judiciary, \$7,625,286;
- 16 Committee on Natural Resources, \$6,879,172; Committee
- 17 on Oversight and Government Reform, \$9,129,841; Com-
- 18 mittee on Rules, \$3,230,281; Committee on Science,
- 19 Space, and Technology, \$5,484,978; Committee on Small
- 20 Business, \$3,037,400; Committee on Transportation and
- 21 Infrastructure, \$8,655,500; Committee on Veterans' Af-
- 22 fairs, \$3,979,031; and Committee on Ways and Means,
- 23 \$8,954,346.

#### 1 SEC. 3. SECOND SESSION LIMITATIONS.

- 2 (a) In General.—Of the amount provided for in
- 3 section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not
- 4 more than the amount specified in such subsection shall
- 5 be available for expenses incurred during the period begin-
- 6 ning at noon on January 3, 2018, and ending immediately
- 7 before noon on January 3, 2019.
- 8 (b) Committees and Amounts.—The committees
- 9 and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee
- 10 on Agriculture, \$5,737,849; Committee on Armed Serv-
- 11 ices, \$8,094,170; Committee on the Budget, \$5,190,212;
- 12 Committee on Education and the Workforce, \$7,307,783;
- 13 Committee on Energy and Commerce, \$10,265,721; Com-
- 14 mittee on Ethics, \$3,340,663; Committee on Financial
- 15 Services, \$8,290,225; Committee on Foreign Affairs,
- 16 \$7,836,993; Committee on Homeland Security,
- 17 \$7,503,923; Committee on House Administration,
- 18 \$5,321,565; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence,
- 19 \$6,050,000; Committee on the Judiciary, \$7,725,286;
- 20 Committee on Natural Resources, \$6,879,172; Committee
- 21 on Oversight and Government Reform, \$9,129,841; Com-
- 22 mittee on Rules, \$3,230,281; Committee on Science,
- 23 Space, and Technology, \$5,484,978; Committee on Small
- 24 Business, \$3,249,637; Committee on Transportation and
- 25 Infrastructure, \$8,760,500; Committee on Veterans' Af-

- 1 fairs, \$3,979,031; and Committee on Ways and Means,2 \$8,986,346.
- 3 (c) Review of Use of Funds in First Session.—
- 4 (1) Review.—None of the amounts provided
- 5 for in section 1 for a committee named in subsection
- 6 (b) may be available for expenses of the committee
- 7 after March 15, 2018, unless the chair or ranking
- 8 minority member of the committee appears and pre-
- 9 sents testimony at a hearing of the Committee on
- House Administration held prior to such date to re-
- view the committee's use of the amounts provided
- for in section 1 during the first session of the One
- 13 Hundred Fifteenth Congress and to determine
- whether the amount specified in subsection (b) with
- respect to the committee should be updated on the
- basis of the review.
- 17 (2) Waiver.—The Committee on House Ad-
- ministration may waive the application of paragraph
- 19 (1) to any or all of the committees named in sub-
- section (b).
- 21 SEC. 4. VOUCHERS.
- Payments under this resolution shall be made on
- 23 vouchers authorized by the committee involved, signed by
- 24 the chairman of such committee, and approved in the

- 1 manner directed by the Committee on House Administra-
- 2 tion.
- 3 SEC. 5. REGULATIONS.
- 4 Amounts made available under this resolution shall
- 5 be expended in accordance with regulations prescribed by
- 6 the Committee on House Administration.

#### 7 SEC. 6. RESERVE FUND FOR UNANTICIPATED EXPENSES.

- 8 (a) Establishment.—There is hereby established a
- 9 reserve fund for unanticipated expenses of committees for
- 10 the One Hundred Fifteenth Congress.
- 11 (b) Amount.—The reserve fund under this section
- 12 shall have a balance of \$2,500,000, of which—
- 13 (1) \$1,250,000 shall be available for unantici-
- pated expenses incurred during the period beginning
- at noon on January 3, 2017, and ending imme-
- diately before noon on January 3, 2018; and
- 17 (2) \$1,250,000 shall be available for unantici-
- pated expenses incurred during the period beginning
- at noon on January 3, 2018, and ending imme-
- diately before noon on January 3, 2019.
- 21 (c) Allocation to Committees.—Amounts in the
- 22 reserve fund under this section shall be paid to a com-
- 23 mittee pursuant to an allocation approved by the Com-
- 24 mittee on House Administration.

#### 1 SEC. 7. ADJUSTMENT AUTHORITY.

- The Committee on House Administration shall have
- 3 authority to make adjustments in amounts under section
- 4 1, if necessary to comply with an order of the President
- 5 issued under section 251A or 254 of the Balanced Budget
- 6 and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or to conform
- 7 to any change in appropriations for the purposes of such

8 section 1.

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