

104TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. RES. 423

Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require each Member of the House of Representatives to submit annual reports for publication in the Congressional Record on certain federally-funded travel taken by the Member during the year.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 2, 1996

Mr. GANSKE (for himself, Mr. KLUG, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. COBURN, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. POSHARD, and Ms. RIVERS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved,*

2 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

3 This resolution may be cited as the “Congressional

4 Travel Accountability Resolution”.

1 **SEC. 2. MEMBER REPORTS ON CERTAIN FEDERALLY-FUND-**
2 **ED TRAVEL.**

3 The Rules of the House of Representatives are
4 amended by adding at the end the following new rule:

5 “RULE LIII.

6 “REPORTS ON CERTAIN FEDERALLY-FUNDED TRAVEL.

7 “1. (a) Not later than 60 days after the expiration
8 of each reporting period, each Member shall submit to the
9 Clerk an itemized report detailing all covered Federal trav-
10 el by the Member (as a Member) during the period and
11 the costs associated with such travel.

12 “(b) Each Member shall make reasonable efforts to
13 ascertain the costs associated with covered Federal travel
14 by the Member during each reporting period.

15 “2. Not later than the first day of session occurring
16 after March 31 of each year and the first day of session
17 occurring after September 30 of each year, the Clerk shall
18 submit for publication in the Congressional Record the in-
19 formation received for the previous reporting period.

20 “3. As used in this rule—

21 “(a) the term ‘covered Federal travel’ means
22 any travel for which reimbursement or payment is
23 made (in whole or in part) from Federal funds, ex-
24 cept that such term does not include travel by the
25 Member—

1 “(1) between the district the Member rep-
2 resents and the Washington metropolitan area,

3 “(2) within the district the Member rep-
4 resents, or

5 “(3) within the Washington metropolitan
6 area;

7 “(b) the term ‘Member’ means a Representative
8 in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, Con-
9 gress; and

10 “(c) the term ‘reporting period’ means the 6-
11 month period ending with June 30 of each year and
12 the 6-month period ending with December 31 of
13 each year.”.

14 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

15 The amendment made by section 2 shall take effect
16 immediately prior to noon January 3, 1997.

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