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H. RES. 15

Authorizing and directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire whether the House should impeach G. Thomas Porteous, a judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 6, 2009

Mr. CONYERS (for himself and Mr. SMITH of Texas) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved*, That in continuance of the authority con-
2 ferred in House Resolution 1448 of the One Hundred
3 Tenth Congress adopted by the House of Representatives
4 on September 17, 2008, the Committee on the Judiciary
5 shall inquire whether the House should impeach G. Thom-
6 as Porteous, a judge of the United States District Court
7 for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

1 SEC. 2. The Committee on the Judiciary or any sub-
2 committee or task force designated by the Committee may,
3 in connection with the inquiry under this resolution, take
4 affidavits and depositions by a member, counsel, or con-
5 sultant of the Committee, pursuant to notice or subpoena.

6 SEC. 3. There shall be paid out of the applicable ac-
7 counts of the House such sums as may be necessary to
8 assist the Committee on the Judiciary in conducting the
9 inquiry under this resolution, any of which may be used
10 for the procurement of staff or consultant services.

11 SEC. 4. (a) For the purpose of the inquiry under this
12 resolution, the Committee on the Judiciary is authorized
13 to require by subpoena or otherwise—

14 (1) the attendance and testimony of any person (in-
15 cluding at a taking of a deposition by counsel or consult-
16 ant of the Committee); and

17 (2) the production of such things;
18 as it deems necessary to such inquiry.

19 (b) The Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary,
20 after consultation with the ranking member, may exercise
21 the authority of the Committee under subsection (a).

22 (c) The Committee on the Judiciary may adopt a rule
23 regulating the taking of depositions by a member, counsel,

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1 or consultant of the Committee, including pursuant to
2 subpoena.

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