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1ST SESSION

H. R. 398

To reduce the rate of pay for Members of Congress by 10 percent and to eliminate automatic pay adjustments for Members.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 23, 2013

Mr. LOEBSACK (for himself and Mrs. KIRKPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Congressional Halt in
5 Pay Increases and Cut Congressional Pay Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REDUCTION IN PAY.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 601(a) of the Legislative
3 Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 31) is amended to
4 read as follows:

5 “SEC. 601. (a) Effective as of the beginning of the
6 first applicable pay period commencing after the date on
7 which is held the next regularly scheduled general election
8 for Federal office following the date of the enactment of
9 the Congressional Halt in Pay Increases and Cut Congres-
10 sional Pay Act, the annual rate of pay for—

11 “(1) each Senator, Member of the House of
12 Representatives, and Delegate to the House of Rep-
13 resentatives, and the Resident Commissioner from
14 Puerto Rico,

15 “(2) the President pro tempore of the Senate,
16 the majority leader and the minority leader of the
17 Senate, and the majority leader and the minority
18 leader of the House of Representatives, and

19 “(3) the Speaker of the House of Representa-
20 tives,

21 shall be equal to the annual rate of pay for that position
22 as of the date on which such general election is held, re-
23 duced by 10 percent.”.

24 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsection (a) shall take ef-
25 fect as of the date on which is held the next regularly

- 1 scheduled general election for Federal office following the
- 2 date of the enactment of this Act.

