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S. RES. 52

Authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Finance.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on Finance, reported the following original resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

RESOLUTION

Authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Finance.

1 *Resolved*, That, in carrying out its powers, duties, and
2 functions under the Standing Rules of the Senate, in ac-
3 cordance with its jurisdiction under rule XXV of such
4 rules, including holding hearings, reporting such hearings,
5 and making investigations as authorized by paragraphs 1
6 and 8 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate,
7 the Committee on Finance is authorized from March 1,
8 2017, through September 30, 2017; October 1, 2017,
9 through September 30, 2018; and October 1, 2018,
10 through February 28, 2019, in its discretion (1) to make
11 expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate, (2)
12 to employ personnel, and (3) with the prior consent of the

1 Government department or agency concerned and the
2 Committee on Rules and Administration, to use on a reim-
3 bursable or non-reimbursable basis the services of per-
4 sonnel of any such department or agency.

5 SEC. 2a. The expenses of the committee for the pe-
6 riod March 1, 2017, through September 30, 2017, under
7 this resolution shall not exceed \$4,710,670, of which
8 amount (1) not to exceed \$17,500 may be expended for
9 the procurement of the services of individual consultants,
10 or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i)
11 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amend-
12 ed), and (2) not to exceed \$5,833 may be expended for
13 the training of the professional staff of such committee
14 (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legis-
15 lative Reorganization Act of 1946).

16 (b) For the period October 1, 2017, through Sep-
17 tember 30, 2018, expenses of the committee under this
18 resolution shall not exceed \$8,075,434, of which amount
19 (1) not to exceed \$30,000 may be expended for the pro-
20 curement of the services of individual consultants, or orga-
21 nizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the
22 Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended), and
23 (2) not to exceed \$10,000 may be expended for the train-
24 ing of the professional staff of such committee (under pro-

cedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946).

(c) For the period October 1, 2018, through February 28, 2019, expenses of the committee under this resolution shall not exceed \$3,364,764, of which amount (1) not to exceed \$12,500 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended), and (2) not to exceed \$4,166 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of such committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946).

SEC. 3. The committee shall report its findings, together with such recommendations for legislation as it deems advisable, to the Senate at the earliest practicable date, but not later than February 28, 2017.

SEC. 4. Expenses of the committee under this resolution shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved by the chairman of the committee, except that vouchers shall not be required (1) for the disbursement of salaries of employees paid at an annual rate, or (2) for the payment of telecommunications provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, United States Senate, or (3) for the payment of

1 stationery supplies purchased through the Keeper of the
2 Stationery, United States Senate, or (4) for payments to
3 the Postmaster, United States Senate, or (5) for the pay-
4 ment of metered charges on copying equipment provided
5 by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper,
6 United States Senate, or (6) for the payment of Senate
7 Recording and Photographic Services, or (7) for payment
8 of franked and mass mail costs by the Sergeant at Arms
9 and Doorkeeper, United States Senate.

10 SEC. 5. There are authorized such sums as may be
11 necessary for agency contributions related to the com-
12 pensation of employees of the committee from March 1,
13 2017, through September 30, 2017; October 1, 2017,
14 through September 30, 2018; and October 1, 2018,
15 through February 28, 2019, to be paid from the Appro-
16 priations account for Expenses of Inquiries and Investiga-
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