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# H. RES. 173

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

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

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## 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  
10 House Administration held prior to such date to re-  
11 view the committee’s use of the amounts provided  
12 for in section 1 during the first session of the One  
13 Hundred Fifteenth Congress and to determine  
14 whether the amount specified in subsection (b) with  
15 respect to the committee should be updated on the  
16 basis of the review.

17 (2) WAIVER.—The Committee on House Ad-  
18 ministration may waive the application of paragraph  
19 (1) to any or all of the committees named in sub-  
20 section (b).

21 **SEC. 4. VOUCHERS.**

22 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-  
14 pated expenses incurred during the period beginning  
15 at noon on January 3, 2017, and ending imme-  
16 diately before noon on January 3, 2018; and

17 (2) \$1,250,000 shall be available for unantici-  
18 pated expenses incurred during the period beginning  
19 at noon on January 3, 2018, and ending imme-  
20 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.**

2       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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