Union Calendar No. 381

115TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 1701

[Report No. 115-511, Part I]

To prohibit the use of Federal funds for the costs of painting portraits of officers and employees of the Federal Government.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 23, 2017

Mr. Cartwright (for himself, Mr. Bridenstine, Mrs. Bustos, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lance, Mr. McKinley, Mr. Olson, and Mr. Rice of South Carolina) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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

January 11, 2018

Additional sponsors: Mrs. Love, Mr. Brat, and Mr. Russell

January 11, 2018

Reported from the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform with amendments

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

January 11, 2018

The Committee on House Administration discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 23, 2017]

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 "Eliminating Govern-
- 5 ment-funded Oil-painting Act" or the "EGO Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR PORTRAITS.
- 7 (a) In General.—Subchapter III of chapter 13 of
- 8 title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
- 9 end the following:
- 10 "§ 1355. Prohibition on use of funds for portraits
- 11 "(a) No funds appropriated or otherwise made avail-
- 12 able to the Federal Government may be used to pay for the
- 13 painting of a portrait of an officer or employee of the Fed-
- 14 eral Government, including the President, the Vice Presi-
- 15 dent, a Member of Congress, the head of an executive agency,
- 16 or the head of an office of the legislative branch.
- 17 "(b) In this section—
- 18 "(1) the term 'executive agency' has the meaning
- 19 given the term in section 133 of title 41; and
- 20 "(2) the term 'Member of Congress' includes a
- 21 Delegate or Resident Commissioner to Congress.".
- 22 (b) Clerical Amendment.—The table of sections for
- 23 subchapter III of chapter 13 of title 31, United States Code,
- 24 is amended by adding after the item relating to section 1354
- 25 the following new item:

[&]quot;1355. Prohibition on use of funds for portraits.".

Amend the title so as to read: "A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to prohibit the use of Federal funds for the costs of painting portraits of officers and employees of the Federal Government, and for other purposes.".

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