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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CAMP introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

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. REQUIRING AMOUNTS REMAINING IN MEM-**
4 **BERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCES TO**
5 **BE USED FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION OR TO RE-**
6 **DUCE THE FEDERAL DEBT.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
8 sion of law, any amounts appropriated for the Members'

1 Representational Allowance of a Member of the House of
2 Representatives for a fiscal year which remain after all
3 payments are made under such Allowance for the year
4 shall be deposited in the Treasury and used for deficit re-
5 duction, except that in the case of a fiscal year for which
6 there is no Federal budget deficit, such amounts shall be
7 used to reduce the Federal debt (in such manner as the
8 Secretary of the Treasury considers appropriate).

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with
10 respect to fiscal year 2011 and each succeeding fiscal year.

11 **SEC. 2. PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT.**

12 After each session of Congress or other period for
13 which the Members' Representational Allowance is made
14 available, there shall be published in the Congressional
15 Record a statement showing, with respect to such session
16 or period, the amount deposited with respect to each Mem-
17 ber under section 1 and the total deposited with respect
18 to all Members.

19 **SEC. 3. REGULATIONS.**

20 The Committee on House Administration of the
21 House of Representatives shall have authority to prescribe
22 regulations to carry out this Act.

1 **SEC. 4. DEFINITION.**

2 As used in this Act, the term “Member of the House
3 of Representatives” means a Representative in, or a Dele-
4 gate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress.

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