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H. RES. 135

Requiring the posting of information on the disbursements made during each session of Congress from the Members' Representational Allowance on official public Internet sites of the House of Representatives, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 1, 2011

Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. HIMES) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved,*

2 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

3 This resolution may be cited as the "Holding Con-
4 gress Accountable Act of 2011".

5 **SEC. 2. ONLINE POSTING OF DISBURSEMENTS FROM MEM-**
6 **BERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCE.**

7 (a) **REQUIRING POSTING.**—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—With respect to each session
2 of a Congress—

3 (A) the Chief Administrative Officer of the
4 House of Representatives shall post on the offi-
5 cial public Internet site of the House of Rep-
6 resentatives a statement showing each disburse-
7 ment made from the Members’ Representa-
8 tional Allowance during that session, and in-
9 clude as part of the statement hyperlinks to in-
10 formation on the amount of such disbursements
11 which are attributable to each specific Member
12 of the House of Representatives; and

13 (B) except as provided in paragraph (2),
14 each Member of the House of Representatives
15 shall include on the Member’s official public
16 Internet site a hyperlink to the information pro-
17 vided on the House of Representatives site
18 under subparagraph (A) with respect to the dis-
19 bursements made by the Member.

20 (2) EXCEPTION FOR FORMER MEMBERS.—
21 Paragraph (1)(B) does not apply to any individual
22 who is not a Member of the House of Representa-
23 tives at the time the Chief Administrative Officer
24 posts the statement described in paragraph (1)(A).

1 (b) SOURCE OF INFORMATION.—The information
2 provided on the House of Representatives site under sub-
3 section (a)(1) shall be based on the reports of disburse-
4 ments for the operations of the House of Representatives
5 which are submitted by the Chief Administrative Officer
6 under section 106 of the House of Representatives Admin-
7 istrative Reform Technical Corrections Act (2 U.S.C.
8 104b).

9 (c) DEADLINES.—

10 (1) CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER.—The
11 Chief Administrative Officer shall post the informa-
12 tion required under subsection (a)(1) with respect to
13 a session of Congress not later than 30 days after
14 the publication of the final report of disbursements
15 for the operations of the House of Representatives
16 (as described in subsection (b)) for that session.

17 (2) MEMBERS.—Each Member of the House of
18 Representatives shall meet the requirements of sub-
19 section (a)(2) not later than 5 days after the Chief
20 Administrative Officer posts the information re-
21 quired under subsection (a)(1) with respect to a ses-
22 sion of Congress.

1 (d) MEMBER DEFINED.—In this section, a “Member
2 of the House of Representatives” includes a Delegate or
3 Resident Commissioner to the Congress.

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