105TH CONGRESS  2D SESSION  H. R. 3131

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
JANUARY 28, 1998
Mr. SHAYS (for himself, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. MCHALE, Mr. MEEHAN, and Mr. WHITE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Oversight

A BILL
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. AVAILABILITY OF CERTAIN CRS WEB SITE INFORMATION.

(a) AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Congressional Research Service shall make available on the Internet, for purposes of access and retrieval by the public, all information that—
(A) is available through the Congressional Research Service web site;
(B) is described in paragraph (2); and
(C) is not confidential as determined by—
   (i) the Director; or
   (ii) the head of a Federal department or agency that provided the information to
       the Congressional Research Service.

(2) INFORMATION.—The information referred to in paragraph (1)(B) is as follows:
   (A) All Congressional Research Service Issue Briefs.
   (B) All Congressional Research Service Reports that are available to Members of Congress through the Congressional Research Service web site.
   (C) All Congressional Research Service Authorization of Appropriations Products or Appropriations Products.

(b) TIME.—The information shall be so made available not earlier than 30 days after the first day the information is available to Members of Congress through the Congressional Research Service web site.
(c) REQUIREMENTS.—The Director of the Congressional Research Service shall make the information available in a manner that the Director determines—

(1) is practical and reasonable; and

(2) does not permit the submission of comments from the public.

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