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**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2012**

Mr. Bass of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. Dold, Mr. Matheson, Mr. Gerlach, Mr. Landry, Mr. Coble, Mr. Ribble, Mr. Schilling, Mr. Petri, Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Renacci, Mr. Duffy, and Mr. Culberson) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget

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**A BILL**

To amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to subject the pay of the President, the Vice President, and Members of the House of Representatives and the Senate to any sequestration order for fiscal year 2013.

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 “Member Pay Reduction  
5 and Responsibility Act of 2012”.

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Section 256(g) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 906(g)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(3) PAY FOR THE PRESIDENT, THE VICE PRESIDENT, AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS TO BE COVERED BY ANY SEQUESTRATION ORDER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—If any sequestration under this part takes effect for fiscal year 2013, the Presidential order implementing such sequestration shall reduce the pay of the President, the Vice President, and Members of Congress by a percentage equal to the greater of—

“(i) the percentage by which accounts within the non-exempt, non-security category are reduced under such order; or

“(ii) 8.2 percent.

“(B) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘Member of Congress’ refers to an individual who holds a position under subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of section 601(a)

“(C) SPECIAL RULE.—Any reduction under this paragraph in the rate of pay of the President shall take effect as of noon on January 20, 2013.”