

House Calendar No. 129

113TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. RES. 676

[Report No. 113–561]

Providing for authority to initiate litigation for actions by the President or other executive branch officials inconsistent with their duties under the Constitution of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 22, 2014

Mr. SESSIONS submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules, 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

JULY 28, 2014

Reported with an amendment

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The Committee on House Administration discharged; referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved*, That the Speaker is authorized to initiate
2 or intervene in one or more civil actions on behalf of the
3 House of Representatives in a Federal court of competent
4 jurisdiction to seek any appropriate relief regarding the
5 failure of the President, the head of any department or
6 agency, or any other officer or employee of the executive
7 branch, to act in a manner consistent with that official's
8 duties under the Constitution and laws of the United
9 States with respect to implementation of any provision of
10 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, title I or
11 subtitle B of title II of the Health Care and Education
12 Reconciliation Act of 2010, including any amendment
13 made by such provision, or any other related provision of
14 law, including a failure to implement any such provision.

15 SEC. 2. The Speaker shall notify the House of Rep-
16 resentatives of a decision to initiate or intervene in any
17 civil action pursuant to this resolution.

18 SEC. 3. *(a) The Office*~~The Office~~ of the General Coun-
19 sel of the House of Representatives, at the direction of
20 the Speaker, shall represent the House in any civil action
21 initiated, or in which the House intervenes, pursuant to
22 this resolution, and may employ the services of outside
23 counsel and other experts for this purpose.

24 *(b) The chair of the Committee on House Administra-*
25 *tion shall cause to be printed in the Congressional Record*

1 *a statement setting forth the aggregate amounts expended*
2 *by the Office of General Counsel on outside counsel and*
3 *other experts pursuant to subsection (a) on a quarterly*
4 *basis. Such statement shall be submitted for printing not*
5 *more than 30 days after the expiration of each such period.*

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