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H. RES. 918

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Directing certain committees to continue their ongoing investigations as part of the existing House of Representatives inquiry into whether sufficient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to exercise its Constitutional power to impeach Joseph Biden, President of the United States of America, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 7, 2023

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

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Reported from the Committee on Rules; referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

RESOLUTION

Directing certain committees to continue their ongoing investigations as part of the existing House of Representatives inquiry into whether sufficient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to exercise its Constitutional power to impeach Joseph Biden, President of the United States of America, and for other purposes.

1 *Resolved*, That the Committees on Oversight and Ac-
2 countability, Ways and Means, and the Judiciary are di-
3 rected to continue their ongoing investigations as part of
4 the House of Representatives inquiry into whether suffi-
5 cient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to
6 exercise its Constitutional power to impeach Joseph
7 Biden, President of the United States of America, includ-
8 ing as set forth in the memorandum issued by the Chairs
9 of the Committees on Oversight and Accountability, Ways
10 and Means, and Judiciary of the House of Representa-
11 tives, entitled “Impeachment Inquiry”, dated September
12 27, 2023.

13 **SEC. 2. INVESTIGATIVE PROCEEDINGS BY THE COMMITTEE**
14 **ON OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY.**

15 For the purpose of continuing the investigation de-
16 scribed in the first section of this resolution, the Com-
17 mittee on Oversight and Accountability is authorized to
18 conduct proceedings pursuant to this resolution as follows:

19 (1) The chair of the Committee on Oversight
20 and Accountability may designate an open hearing
21 or hearings pursuant to this section.

22 (2) Notwithstanding clause 2(j)(2) of rule XI of
23 the Rules of the House of Representatives, upon rec-
24 ognition by the chair for such purpose under this
25 paragraph during any hearing designated pursuant

1 to paragraph (1), the chair and ranking minority
2 member of the Committee on Oversight and Ac-
3 countability shall be permitted to question witnesses
4 for equal specified periods of longer than five min-
5 utes, as determined by the chair. The time available
6 for each period of questioning under this paragraph
7 shall be equal for the chair and the ranking minority
8 member. The chair may confer recognition for mul-
9 tiple periods of such questioning, but each period of
10 questioning shall not exceed 90 minutes in the ag-
11 gregate. Only the chair and ranking minority mem-
12 ber, or an employee of the Committee on Oversight
13 and Accountability if yielded to by the chair or rank-
14 ing minority member, may question witnesses during
15 such periods of questioning. At the conclusion of
16 questioning pursuant to this paragraph, the com-
17 mittee shall proceed with questioning under the five-
18 minute rule pursuant to clause 2(j)(2)(A) of rule XI.

19 (3) To allow for full evaluation of minority wit-
20 ness requests, the ranking minority member may
21 submit to the chair, in writing, any requests for wit-
22 ness testimony relevant to the investigation de-
23 scribed in the first section of this resolution within
24 72 hours after notice is given for the first hearing
25 designated pursuant to paragraph (1). Any such re-

1 quest shall be accompanied by a detailed written jus-
2 tification of the relevance of the testimony of each
3 requested witness to the investigation described in
4 the first section of this resolution.

5 (4)(A) The ranking minority member of the
6 Committee on Oversight and Accountability is au-
7 thorized, with the concurrence of the chair of the
8 Committee on Oversight and Accountability, to re-
9 quire, as deemed necessary to the investigation—

10 (i) by subpoena or otherwise—

11 (I) the attendance and testimony of
12 any person (including at a taking of a dep-
13 osition); and

14 (II) the production of books, records,
15 correspondence, memoranda, papers, and
16 documents; and

17 (ii) by interrogatory, the furnishing of in-
18 formation.

19 (B) In the case that the chair declines to con-
20 cur in a proposed action of the ranking minority
21 member pursuant to subparagraph (A), the ranking
22 minority member shall have the right to refer to the
23 committee for decision the question whether such
24 authority shall be so exercised and the chair shall
25 convene the committee promptly to render that deci-

1 sion, subject to the notice procedures for a com-
2 mittee meeting under clause 2(g)(3)(A) and (B) of
3 rule XI.

4 (C) Subpoenas and interrogatories so author-
5 ized may be signed by the ranking minority member,
6 and may be served by any person designated by the
7 ranking minority member.

8 (5) The chair is authorized to make publicly
9 available in electronic form the transcripts of deposi-
10 tions conducted by the Committee on Oversight and
11 Accountability in furtherance of the investigation de-
12 scribed in the first section of this resolution, with
13 appropriate redactions for classified and other sen-
14 sitive information.

15 (6) The Committee on Oversight and Account-
16 ability may issue a report setting forth its findings
17 and any recommendations and appending any infor-
18 mation and materials the Committee on Oversight
19 and Accountability may deem appropriate with re-
20 spect to the investigation described in the first sec-
21 tion of this resolution. The chair may transmit such
22 report and appendices, along with any supplemental,
23 minority, additional, or dissenting views filed pursu-
24 ant to clause 2(l) of rule XI, to the Committee on
25 the Judiciary and make such report publicly avail-

1 ber. The chair may confer recognition for multiple
2 periods of such questioning, but each period of ques-
3 tioning shall not exceed 90 minutes in the aggregate.
4 Only the chair and ranking minority member, or an
5 employee of the Committee on Ways and Means if
6 yielded to by the chair or ranking minority member,
7 may question witnesses during such periods of ques-
8 tioning. At the conclusion of questioning pursuant to
9 this paragraph, the committee shall proceed with
10 questioning under the five-minute rule pursuant to
11 clause 2(j)(2)(A) of rule XI.

12 (3) To allow for full evaluation of minority wit-
13 ness requests, the ranking minority member may
14 submit to the chair, in writing, any requests for wit-
15 ness testimony relevant to the investigation de-
16 scribed in the first section of this resolution within
17 72 hours after notice is given for the first hearing
18 designated pursuant to paragraph (1). Any such re-
19 quest shall be accompanied by a detailed written jus-
20 tification of the relevance of the testimony of each
21 requested witness to the investigation described in
22 the first section of this resolution.

23 (4)(A) The ranking minority member of the
24 Committee on Ways and Means is authorized, with
25 the concurrence of the chair of the Committee on

1 Ways and Means, to require, as deemed necessary to
2 the investigation—

3 (i) by subpoena or otherwise—

4 (I) the attendance and testimony of
5 any person (including at a taking of a dep-
6 osition); and

7 (II) the production of books, records,
8 correspondence, memoranda, papers, and
9 documents; and

10 (ii) by interrogatory, the furnishing of in-
11 formation.

12 (B) In the case that the chair declines to con-
13 cur in a proposed action of the ranking minority
14 member pursuant to subparagraph (A), the ranking
15 minority member shall have the right to refer to the
16 committee for decision the question whether such
17 authority shall be so exercised and the chair shall
18 convene the committee promptly to render that deci-
19 sion, subject to the notice procedures for a com-
20 mittee meeting under clause 2(g)(3)(A) and (B) of
21 rule XI.

22 (C) Subpoenas and interrogatories so author-
23 ized may be signed by the ranking minority member,
24 and may be served by any person designated by the
25 ranking minority member.

1 (5) The chair is authorized to make publicly
2 available in electronic form the transcripts of deposi-
3 tions conducted by the Committee on Ways and
4 Means in furtherance of the investigation described
5 in the first section of this resolution, with appro-
6 priate redactions for classified and other sensitive in-
7 formation.

8 (6) The Committee on Ways and Means may
9 issue a report setting forth its findings and any rec-
10 ommendations and appending any information and
11 materials the Committee on Ways and Means may
12 deem appropriate with respect to the investigation
13 described in the first section of this resolution. The
14 chair may transmit such report and appendices,
15 along with any supplemental, minority, additional, or
16 dissenting views filed pursuant to clause 2(1) of rule
17 XI, to the Committee on the Judiciary and make
18 such report publicly available in electronic form,
19 with appropriate redactions to protect classified and
20 other sensitive information. Any report prepared
21 under this paragraph may be prepared in consulta-
22 tion with the chairs of the Committees on Oversight
23 and Accountability and on the Judiciary.

1 **SEC. 4. INVESTIGATIVE PROCEEDINGS BY THE COMMITTEE**
2 **ON THE JUDICIARY.**

3 For the purpose of continuing the investigation de-
4 scribed in the first section of this resolution, the Com-
5 mittee on the Judiciary is authorized to conduct pro-
6 ceedings pursuant to this resolution as follows:

7 (1) The chair of the Committee on the Judici-
8 ary may designate an open hearing or hearings pur-
9 suant to this section.

10 (2) Notwithstanding clause 2(j)(2) of rule XI of
11 the Rules of the House of Representatives, upon rec-
12 ognition by the chair for such purpose under this
13 paragraph during any hearing designated pursuant
14 to paragraph (1), the chair and ranking minority
15 member of the Committee on the Judiciary shall be
16 permitted to question witnesses for equal specified
17 periods of longer than five minutes, as determined
18 by the chair. The time available for each period of
19 questioning under this paragraph shall be equal for
20 the chair and the ranking minority member. The
21 chair may confer recognition for multiple periods of
22 such questioning, but each period of questioning
23 shall not exceed 90 minutes in the aggregate. Only
24 the chair and ranking minority member, or an em-
25 ployee of the Committee on the Judiciary if yielded
26 to by the chair or ranking minority member, may

1 question witnesses during such periods of ques-
2 tioning. At the conclusion of questioning pursuant to
3 this paragraph, the committee shall proceed with
4 questioning under the five-minute rule pursuant to
5 clause 2(j)(2)(A) of rule XI.

6 (3) To allow for full evaluation of minority wit-
7 ness requests, the ranking minority member may
8 submit to the chair, in writing, any requests for wit-
9 ness testimony relevant to the investigation de-
10 scribed in the first section of this resolution within
11 72 hours after notice is given for the first hearing
12 designated pursuant to paragraph (1). Any such re-
13 quest shall be accompanied by a detailed written jus-
14 tification of the relevance of the testimony of each
15 requested witness to the investigation described in
16 the first section of this resolution.

17 (4)(A) The ranking minority member of the
18 Committee on the Judiciary is authorized, with the
19 concurrence of the chair of the Committee on the
20 Judiciary, to require, as deemed necessary to the in-
21 vestigation—

22 (i) by subpoena or otherwise—

23 (I) the attendance and testimony of
24 any person (including at a taking of a dep-
25 osition); and

1 (II) the production of books, records,
2 correspondence, memoranda, papers, and
3 documents; and

4 (ii) by interrogatory, the furnishing of in-
5 formation.

6 (B) In the case that the chair declines to con-
7 cur in a proposed action of the ranking minority
8 member pursuant to subparagraph (A), the ranking
9 minority member shall have the right to refer to the
10 committee for decision the question whether such
11 authority shall be so exercised and the chair shall
12 convene the committee promptly to render that deci-
13 sion, subject to the notice procedures for a com-
14 mittee meeting under clause 2(g)(3)(A) and (B) of
15 rule XI.

16 (C) Subpoenas and interrogatories so author-
17 ized may be signed by the ranking minority member,
18 and may be served by any person designated by the
19 ranking minority member.

20 (5) The chair is authorized to make publicly
21 available in electronic form the transcripts of deposi-
22 tions conducted by the Committee on the Judiciary
23 in furtherance of the investigation described in the
24 first section of this resolution, with appropriate

1 redactions for classified and other sensitive informa-
2 tion.

3 **SEC. 5. IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY PROCEDURES IN THE**
4 **COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY.**

5 (a) The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to
6 conduct proceedings relating to the impeachment inquiry
7 described in the first section of this resolution pursuant
8 to the procedures submitted for printing in the Congres-
9 sional Record by the chair of the Committee on Rules, in-
10 cluding such procedures as to allow for the participation
11 of the President and his counsel.

12 (b) The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to
13 promulgate additional procedures as it deems necessary
14 for the fair and efficient conduct of committee hearings
15 held pursuant to this resolution, provided that the addi-
16 tional procedures are not inconsistent with the procedures
17 referenced in subsection (a), the Rules of the Committee,
18 and the Rules of the House.

19 (c)(1) The ranking minority member of the Com-
20 mittee on the Judiciary is authorized, with the concur-
21 rence of the chair of the Committee on the Judiciary, to
22 require, as deemed necessary to the investigation—

23 (A) by subpoena or otherwise—

1 (i) the attendance and testimony of any
2 person (including at a taking of a deposition);
3 and

4 (ii) the production of books, records, cor-
5 respondence, memoranda, papers, and docu-
6 ments; and

7 (B) by interrogatory, the furnishing of informa-
8 tion.

9 (2) In the case that the chair declines to concur in
10 a proposed action of the ranking minority member pursu-
11 ant to paragraph (1), the ranking minority member shall
12 have the right to refer to the committee for decision the
13 question whether such authority shall be so exercised and
14 the chair shall convene the committee promptly to render
15 that decision, subject to the notice procedures for a com-
16 mittee meeting under clause 2(g)(3)(A) and (B) of rule
17 XI.

18 (3) Subpoenas and interrogatories so authorized may
19 be signed by the ranking minority member, and may be
20 served by any person designated by the ranking minority
21 member.

22 (d) The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to
23 report to the House of Representatives resolutions, articles
24 of impeachment, or other recommendations.

1 SEC. 6. ADOPTION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION 917.

2 House Resolution 917 is hereby adopted.

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