105TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 352

To provide for return of excess amounts from official allowances of Members of the House of Representatives to the Treasury for deficit reduction.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 7, 1997

Mr. STUPAK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Oversight, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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

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A BILL

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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. RETURN OF EXCESS AMOUNTS FROM OFFICIAL**

4   **ALLOWANCES OF MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE**

5   **OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE TREASURY**

6   **FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION.**

7   Notwithstanding any other law, or any rule or other

8 authority, any amount remaining in an official allowance

1 of a Member of the House of Representatives at the end

2 of the session of Congress or other period for which the

3 allowance is made available shall be returned to the Treas-

4 ury, to be used for deficit reduction.

5 **SEC. 2. REPORT OF AMOUNT OF DEFICIT REDUCTION.**

6 The Committee on Appropriations of the House of

7 Representatives shall include in its report on the annual

8 appropriations bill for the legislative branch a statement

9 of the total deficit reduction under section 1 for the pre-

10 ceding calendar year.

11 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

12 As used in this Act—

13 (1) the term "Member of the House of Rep-

14 resentatives" means a Representative in, or a Dele-

15 gate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress;

16 and

17 (2) the term "official allowance" means, with

18 respect to a Member of the House of Representa-

19 tives, the Clerk Hire Allowance, the Official Ex-

20 penses Allowance, or the Official Mail Allowance.

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