105TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. RES. 514

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Attorney General Janet Reno should apply to the Special Division of the United States Court of Appeals for the appointment of an independent counsel to investigate a number of matters relating to the campaign finance investigation currently being conducted by the Department of Justice.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 31, 1998

Mr. Barr of Georgia (for himself, Mr. DeLay, and Mr. Burton of Indiana) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

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Whereas the majority of the members of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives, in letters dated March 12, 1997, and September 3, 1997, requested that the Attorney General apply for the appointment of an independent counsel for the campaign finance investigation and related matters; Whereas the majority of the members of the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate, in a letter dated March 13, 1997, requested that the Attorney General request the appointment of an independent counsel for the campaign finance investigation and related matters;

Whereas the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Louis Freeh, in a memorandum sent to the Attorney General in November 1997, called for the appointment of an independent counsel for the campaign finance investigation and related matters; and

Whereas after a 10-month inquiry, Charles G. LaBella, the supervising attorney of the Department of Justice's Campaign Finance Task Force, has submitted a report to the Attorney General recommending that she request the appointment of an independent counsel for the campaign finance investigation and related matters: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the House that—

2 (1) the Attorney General should faithfully up-

3 hold and execute the laws she has sworn to uphold,

4 specifically by seeking application for an independent

counsel for the campaign finance investigation and

6 related matters; and

(2) the President should direct the Attorney General to seek application for an independent counsel for the campaign finance investigation and re-

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