

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# S. RES. 188

To authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of  
LaFreniere v. Congress of the United States.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 1, 2005

Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. REID) submitted the following resolution;  
which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

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Whereas the United States Congress has been named as a  
defendant in the case of LaFreniere v. Congress of the  
United States, Civ. No. 05–1368, pending in the United  
States District Court for the Northern District of Cali-  
fornia;

Whereas, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 704(a)(1) of the  
Ethics in Government Act of 1978, 2 U.S.C. §§ 288b(a)  
and 288c(a)(1), the Senate may direct its counsel to de-  
fend in civil actions the Senate when there is placed in  
issue the validity of any action taken by the Senate in  
its official capacity; and

Whereas, pursuant to section 708(c) of the Ethics in Govern-  
ment Act of 1978, 2 U.S.C. § 288g(c), the Senate may

direct its counsel to perform other duties: Now, therefore,  
be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate Legal Counsel, in conjunc-  
2 tion with counsel for the House of Representatives, is au-  
3 thorized to represent the United States Congress in the  
4 case of LaFreniere v. Congress of the United States.

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