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S. RES. 121

To direct the Senate Legal Counsel to appear as amicus curiae in the name of the Senate in support of the appellee in Office of Senator Mark Dayton v. Brad Hanson.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 23, 2007

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

RESOLUTION

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Whereas, in the case of Office of Senator Mark Dayton v. Brad Hanson, No. 06-618, pending in the Supreme Court of the United States, the application of the Speech or Debate Clause, Article I, section 6, clause 1 of the Constitution to suits brought under the Congressional Accountability Act, Pub. L. No. 104-1, 109 Stat. 3 (1995), has been placed in issue; and

Whereas, pursuant to sections 703(c), 706(a), and 713(a) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, 2 U.S.C. 288b(c), 288e(a), and 288l(a), the Senate may direct its counsel

to appear as amicus curiae in the name of the Senate in any legal action in which the powers and responsibilities of Congress under the Constitution are placed in issue: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Senate Legal Counsel is directed
- 2 to appear as amicus curiae on behalf of the Senate in sup-
- 3 port of Appellee Brad Hanson in Office of Senator Mark
- 4 Dayton v. Brad Hanson, to protect the Senate's interest
- 5 in the proper application of the Speech or Debate Clause
- 6 to civil actions brought under the Congressional Account-
- 7 ability Act.

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