110TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. RES. 460

To authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of National Association of Manufacturers v. Taylor, et al.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

February 25, 2008

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 National Association of Manufacturers v. Taylor, et al., Case No. 08–CV–208–CKK (D.D.C.), pending in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, the plaintiff is asserting that the reporting requirements of section 4(b)(3) of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, 2 U.S.C. 1603(b)(3), as amended by section 207 of the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007, Pub. L. No. 110–81, 121 Stat. 735, 747, are unconstitutional;

Whereas, the plaintiff has named the Secretary of the Senate, Nancy Erickson, as a defendant in her capacity as the officer of the Senate responsible for the receipt of lobbying disclosure registrations and reports;

- 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 defend officers of the Senate in civil actions relating to their official responsibilities: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the Senate Legal Counsel is author-
 - 2 ized to represent the Secretary of the Senate in the case
 - 3 of National Association of Manufacturers v. Taylor, et al.

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