

111TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4720

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 2, 2010

Mrs. KIRKPATRICK of Arizona introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Taking Responsibility
5 For Congressional Pay Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REDUCTION IN RATES OF BASIC PAY FOR MEMBERS**
7 **OF CONGRESS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Effective as of the first day of the
9 first applicable pay period beginning on or after January

1 1, 2011, the rate of basic pay for each Member of Con-
2 gress shall be reduced by 5 percent, rounded to the nearest
3 multiple of \$100 (or, if midway between multiples of \$100,
4 to the next higher multiple of \$100).

5 (b) PREEMPTION.—The adjustment under subsection
6 (a) shall be in lieu of any adjustment which (but for this
7 Act) might otherwise take effect, in the rates of basic pay
8 for Members of Congress, in 2011.

9 (c) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this Act, the term
10 “Member of Congress” means an individual serving in a
11 position under subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of section
12 601(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2
13 U.S.C. 31).

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