

111TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. RES. 1542

Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require that Members official websites include congressional earmark requests and video presentations for requests submitted to committees.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 20, 2010

Ms. PINGREE of Maine submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct

RESOLUTION

Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require that Members official websites include congressional earmark requests and video presentations for requests submitted to committees.

1 *Resolved*, That clause 17 of rule XXIII of the Rules
2 of the House of Representatives is amended by adding at
3 the end the following new paragraph:

4 “(c) (1) Each Member, Delegate, or Resident Com-
5 missioner shall maintain an official website and include
6 on it a comprehensive, sortable, and searchable database
7 comprised of all congressional earmark request for the
8 current fiscal year, and for the budget year including for

1 each such request the name and address of any recipient,
2 the purpose of the earmark, the merits of the earmark,
3 whether it meets applicable eligibility requirements (if
4 any), the amount requested, and, in the case of the Com-
5 mittee on Appropriations, a video presentation by the in-
6 tended recipient with a link for public comment.

7 “(2) Each Member, Delegate, or Resident Commis-
8 sioner may waive the requirement for a video presentation
9 by the intended recipient of a congressional earmark if the
10 Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner determines
11 that the video presentation is unnecessary and places that
12 determination on the official website of that Member, Del-
13 egate, or Resident Commissioner.”.

○