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H. R. 5280

To amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for the expedited review of actions to which the President is a party, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LIEU introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Expediting Civil Liti-
5 gation Against the Executive Act of 2023”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXPEDITED REVIEW OF ACTIONS TO WHICH THE**
7 **PRESIDENT IS A PARTY.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 190 of title 28, United
9 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
10 lowing:

1 **“§ 5002. Expedited review of actions to which the**
2 **President is a party**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to a covered civil
4 action, the following shall apply:

5 “(1) The court shall advance on the docket and
6 expedite to the greatest possible extent the dispo-
7 sition of such civil action.

8 “(2) Upon the request of a party, the civil ac-
9 tion shall be heard by a three-judge panel pursuant
10 to section 2284.

11 “(3) An appeal may be taken directly to the Su-
12 preme Court of the United States from any final
13 judgment in such a civil action, and if it has not
14 previously ruled on the question, the Supreme Court
15 shall accept jurisdiction over the appeal, advance the
16 appeal on the docket, and expedite the appeal to the
17 greatest extent possible.

18 “(b) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘covered
19 civil action’ means a civil action in which—

20 “(1)(A) the President has a personal financial
21 interest; or

22 “(B) the President’s conduct is alleged to con-
23 stitute sexual harassment, sexual assault, or other
24 sexual misconduct;

25 “(2) the President is properly joined as a party;
26 and

1 “(3) the complainant has stated a valid claim
2 upon which relief can be granted.”.

3 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
4 for chapter 190 of title 28, United States Code, is amend-
5 ed by inserting after the item related to section 5001 the
6 following:

“5002. Expedited review of actions to which the President is a party.”.

