

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 7180

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 11, 2020

Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina (for himself, Mr. BUDD, Mr. POSEY, and Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and 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 “Honor Your Oath
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REDUCTION IN PAY OF MEMBERS WHO VOTE BY**
2 **PROXY.**

3 (a) REDUCTION DURING NEXT CONGRESS.—If on
4 any day during a Congress an individual who serves as
5 a Member of the House of Representatives uses a des-
6 ignated proxy to cast a vote in the House or to record
7 the Member’s presence in the House in response to a
8 quorum call, the annual rate of pay applicable under sec-
9 tion 601(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946
10 (2 U.S.C. 4501) with respect to such individual for each
11 pay period occurring during the next Congress during
12 which the individual serves as a Member of the House of
13 Representatives shall be equal to \$1.

14 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING DONATION OF
15 SALARY TO CHARITY OR USE FOR DEFICIT REDUC-
16 TION.—It is the sense of Congress that any individual
17 whose annual rate of pay is equal to \$1 pursuant to sub-
18 section (a) should donate that pay to a charitable organi-
19 zation or return it to the Treasury for purposes of deficit
20 reduction.

21 (c) TREATMENT OF DELEGATES AS MEMBERS.—In
22 this section, the term “Member of the House of Represent-
23 atives” includes a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to
24 the Congress.

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