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H. RES. 367

Establishing the Select Committee on Gun Violence Prevention.

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CORREA, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. KAPTUR, and Mrs. MURPHY of Florida) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

Establishing the Select Committee on Gun Violence
Prevention.

1 *Resolved,*

2 **SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT.**

3 There is hereby established the Select Committee on
4 Gun Violence Prevention (hereafter referred to as the “Se-
5 lect Committee”).

6 **SEC. 2. COMPOSITION.**

7 (a) COMPOSITION.—The Select Committee shall be
8 composed of 12 Members appointed by the Speaker, of
9 whom 6 shall be appointed after consultation with the Mi-
10 nority Leader.

11 (b) CHAIR AND RANKING MINORITY MEMBER.—The
12 Speaker shall designate one Member to serve as chair of
13 the Select Committee, and the Minority Leader shall des-
14 ignate one Member to serve as ranking minority member
15 of the Select Committee.

16 (c) VACANCIES.—Any vacancy in the Select Com-
17 mittee shall be filled in the same manner as the original
18 appointment.

1 **SEC. 3. DUTIES.**

2 (a) INVESTIGATION AND STUDY.—The Select Com-
3 mittee is authorized and directed to conduct a full and
4 complete investigation and study, and to issue a report
5 of its findings to the House, regarding each of the fol-
6 lowing:

7 (1) The causes of mass shootings.

8 (2) Methods to improve the Federal firearms
9 purchaser background check system.

10 (3) Connections between access to firearms and
11 dangerously mentally ill individuals.

12 (4) Strengthening Federal penalties for traf-
13 ficking and straw purchasing of firearms.

14 (5) Closing loopholes that allow some domestic
15 abusers continued access to firearms.

16 (6) Linkages between firearms and suicide.

17 (7) Gun violence's effect on public health.

18 (8) The correlation between State gun violence
19 prevention laws and the incidence of gun violence.

20 (9) The importance of having reliable and accu-
21 rate information on gun violence and its toll on our
22 Nation.

23 (10) The implementation of effective gun vio-
24 lence prevention laws in accordance with the Second
25 Amendment to the Constitution.

1 (11) Rates of gun violence in large metropolitan
2 areas.

3 (b) HEARINGS.—In carrying out its duties under sub-
4 section (a), the Select Committee shall hold at least one
5 public hearing in the District of Columbia and at least
6 two public hearings in locations outside of the District of
7 Columbia.

8 **SEC. 4. RULES AND PROCEDURES.**

9 Rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives
10 shall apply to the Select Committee in the same manner
11 as such Rule applies to a standing committee of the
12 House, except to the extent inconsistent with this resolu-
13 tion.

14 **SEC. 5. STAFF; FUNDING.**

15 (a) STAFF.—The chair of the Select Committee, upon
16 consultation with the ranking minority member of the Se-
17 lect Committee, may employ and fix the compensation of
18 such staff as the chair considers necessary to carry out
19 this resolution.

20 (b) FUNDING.—There shall be paid out of the appli-
21 cable accounts of the House of Representatives such sums
22 as may be necessary for the expenses of the Select Com-
23 mittee. Such payments shall be made on vouchers signed
24 by the chair of the Select Committee and approved in the
25 manner directed by the Committee on House Administra-

1 tion. Amounts made available under this subsection shall
2 be expended in accordance with regulations prescribed by
3 the Committee on House Administration.

4 **SEC. 6. RECOMMENDATIONS.**

5 (a) FINAL REPORT.—The Select Committee shall
6 issue a final report and recommendations, including legis-
7 lative proposals, not later than 60 days after the date of
8 the adoption of this resolution.

9 (b) INTERIM FINDINGS AND REPORTS.—In addition
10 to the final report and recommendations required under
11 subsection (a), the Select Committee may issue such in-
12 terim findings and reports as it deems necessary.

13 **SEC. 7. TERMINATION.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Select Committee and all au-
15 thority granted in this resolution shall expire upon the
16 issuance by the Select Committee of the final report and
17 recommendations under section 6(a).

18 (b) RECORDS.—Upon the dissolution of the Select
19 Committee, the records, files, and materials of the Select
20 Committee shall be transferred to the Clerk of the House.

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