

103D CONGRESS  
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# H. RES. 124

To amend the Rules of the House of Representatives to require secrecy oaths for Members, officers, and employees of the House before they may have access to classified information.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 10, 1993

Mr. HYDE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

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# RESOLUTION

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1       *Resolved,*

2       **SECTION 1. OATH FOR MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AND EMPLOY-**

3                       **EES OF THE HOUSE BEFORE ACCESS TO**

4                       **CLASSIFIED INFORMATION.**

5           (a) DUTIES OF THE SPEAKER.—Rule I of the Rules

6 of the House of Representatives is amended by adding at

7 the end the following new clause:

1       “13.(a) The Speaker shall cause to be administered  
2 the following oath to any Member, officer, or employee of  
3 the House before that individual may have access to classi-  
4 fied information:

5           ‘I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will not  
6 directly or indirectly disclose to any unauthorized  
7 person any classified information received in the  
8 course of my service or employment with the House  
9 of Representatives, except with the formal approval  
10 of the House.’.

11       “(b) Any individual referred to in paragraph (a) who  
12 refuses to take this oath shall not have access to any clas-  
13 sified information.”.

14       (b) DUTIES OF THE CLERK.—Clause III of the Rules  
15 of the House of Representatives is amended by adding the  
16 following new clause:

17       “7. The Clerk shall cause the oaths set forth in clause  
18 13 of rule I to be printed, furnishing two copies to each  
19 Member (or other individual) who has taken this oath,  
20 which shall be subscribed to by the Member (or other indi-  
21 vidual), who shall deliver them to the Clerk, one to be filed  
22 in the records of the House of Representatives, and the  
23 other to be recorded in the Journal of the House and in  
24 the Congressional Record.”.

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