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H. R. 3392

To require a separate, unclassified statement of the aggregate amount of budget outlays for intelligence activities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 6, 1996

Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mr. MILLER of California, and Mr. BROWN of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, and in addition to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, 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 “Intelligence Budget
5 Accountability Act of 1996”.

6 **SEC. 2. PURPOSE.**

7 It is the purpose of this Act to require the publication
8 of the aggregate intelligence budget figure to provide a

1 more thorough accounting of Government expenditures as
2 required by article I, section 9, clause 7 of the Constitu-
3 tion.

4 **SEC. 3. FINDINGS.**

5 The Congress finds that—

6 (1) article I, section 9, clause 7 of the Constitu-
7 tion states that “No Money shall be drawn from the
8 Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations
9 made by Law; and a regular Statement and Account
10 of the Receipts and Expenditures of all public
11 Money shall be published from time to time.”;

12 (2) during the Cold War the United States did
13 not provide to the American people a “regular State-
14 ment and Account of the . . . Expenditures” for
15 intelligence activities;

16 (3) the failure to provide to the American peo-
17 ple a statement of the total amount of expenditures
18 on intelligence activities prevents them from partici-
19 pating in an informed, democratic decision concern-
20 ing the appropriate level for such expenditures; and

21 (4) the Report of the Commission on the Roles
22 and Capabilities of the United States Intelligence
23 Community recommended the disclosure of “the
24 total amount of money appropriated for intelligence

1 activities during the current fiscal year and the total
2 amount being requested for the next fiscal year”.

3 **SEC. 4. ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF**
4 **INTELLIGENCE EXPENDITURES FOR THE**
5 **PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR.**

6 Section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, is
7 amended by adding at the end thereof the following new
8 paragraph:

9 “(32) a separate, unclassified statement of the
10 appropriations and proposed appropriations for the
11 current fiscal year, and the amount of appropria-
12 tions requested for the fiscal year for which the
13 budget is submitted, for national and tactical intel-
14 ligence activities, including activities carried out
15 under the budget of the Department of Defense to
16 collect, analyze, produce, disseminate, or support the
17 collection of intelligence.”.

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