

104TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. RES. 401

Directing the Office of Compliance to provide educational assistance to employing offices of the House of Representatives regarding compliance with the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 and requiring employing offices of the House of Representatives to obtain the prior approval of the chairman and the ranking minority party member of the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives of the amount of any settlement payments made under such Act.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 15, 1996

Mr. THOMAS submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on House Oversight

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved,*

1 **SECTION 1. INTERPRETATION AND ADVICE BY OFFICE OF**
2 **COMPLIANCE.**

3 In carrying out its duties under section 301(h) of the
4 Congressional Accountability Act of 1995, the Office of
5 Compliance shall, through interpretive bulletins, advisory
6 opinions, and other methods, provide educational assist-
7 ance to employing offices of the House of Representatives
8 in the same manner as, and to no lesser extent than, such
9 assistance is provided to other employers through the De-
10 partment of Labor with respect to laws made applicable
11 to such offices under that Act, except that any employees
12 of the Office of Compliance who provide such assistance
13 may not participate in deciding complaints filed under sec-
14 tion 405 of the Act or in deciding petitions for review filed
15 under section 406 of the Act.

16 **SEC. 2. APPROVAL OF AMOUNT OF SETTLEMENT PAY-**
17 **MENTS.**

18 No employing office of the House of Representatives
19 may enter into any settlement of a complaint under the
20 Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 which includes
21 the payment of funds unless the office has obtained the
22 prior approval of the chairman and the ranking minority
23 party member of the Committee on House Oversight of
24 the House of Representatives, acting jointly, regarding the
25 amount of funds to be paid.

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