

# House Calendar No. 272

105<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. RES. 581

[Report No. 105-795]

Authorizing and directing the Committee on the Judiciary to investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the impeachment of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 7, 1998

Mr. HYDE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported the following resolution; which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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## RESOLUTION

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1       *Resolved*, That the Committee on the Judiciary, act-  
2 ing as a whole or by any subcommittee thereof appointed  
3 by the chairman for the purposes hereof and in accordance  
4 with the rules of the committee, is authorized and directed  
5 to investigate fully and completely whether sufficient

1 grounds exist for the House of Representatives to exercise  
2 its constitutional power to impeach William Jefferson  
3 Clinton, President of the United States of America. The  
4 committee shall report to the House of Representatives  
5 such resolutions, articles of impeachment, or other rec-  
6 ommendations as it deems proper.

7       SEC. 2. (a) For the purpose of making such investiga-  
8 tion, the committee is authorized to require—

9           (1) by subpoena or otherwise—

10                   (A) the attendance and testimony of any  
11                   person (including at a taking of a deposition by  
12                   counsel for the committee); and

13                   (B) the production of such things; and

14           (2) by interrogatory, the furnishing of such in-  
15           formation;

16 as it deems necessary to such investigation.

17       (b) Such authority of the committee may be exer-  
18 cised—

19           (1) by the chairman and the ranking minority  
20           member acting jointly, or, if either declines to act,  
21           by the other acting alone, except that in the event  
22           either so declines, either shall have the right to refer  
23           to the committee for decision the question whether  
24           such authority shall be so exercised and the commit-

1       tee shall be convened promptly to render that deci-  
2       sion; or

3               (2) by the committee acting as a whole or by  
4       subcommittee.

5 Subpoenas and interrogatories so authorized may be  
6 issued over the signature of the chairman, or ranking mi-  
7 nority member, or any member designated by either of  
8 them, and may be served by any person designated by the  
9 chairman, or ranking minority member, or any member  
10 designated by either of them. The chairman, or ranking  
11 minority member, or any member designated by either of  
12 them (or, with respect to any deposition, answer to inter-  
13 rogatory, or affidavit, any person authorized by law to ad-  
14 minister oaths) may administer oaths to any witness. For  
15 the purposes of this section, “things” includes, without  
16 limitation, books, records, correspondence, logs, journals,  
17 memorandums, papers, documents, writings, drawings,  
18 graphs, charts, photographs, reproductions, recordings,  
19 tapes, transcripts, printouts, data compilations from which  
20 information can be obtained (translated if necessary,  
21 through detection devices into reasonably usable form),  
22 tangible objects, and other things of any kind.

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