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H. RES. 363

Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to clarify certain matters relating to official conduct.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 2, 2007

Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota (for himself and Mr. GRAVES) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct

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The Committee on Standards of Official Conduct discharged; considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved*, That clause 15 of rule XXIII of the Rules
2 of the House of Representatives is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 “15. (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a Mem-
5 ber, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner may not use per-
6 sonal funds, official funds, or campaign funds for a flight
7 on an aircraft.

8 “(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply if—

1 “(1) the aircraft is operated by an air carrier
2 or commercial operator certificated by the Federal
3 Aviation Administration and the flight is required to
4 be conducted under air carrier safety rules, or, in
5 the case of travel which is abroad, by an air carrier
6 or commercial operator certificated by an appro-
7 priate foreign civil aviation authority and the flight
8 is required to be conducted under air carrier safety
9 rules;

10 “(2) the aircraft is owned or leased by a Mem-
11 ber, Delegate, Resident Commissioner or his or her
12 family member (including an aircraft owned by an
13 entity that is not a public corporation in which the
14 Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner or his or
15 her family member has an ownership interest, pro-
16 vided that such Member, Delegate, or Resident Com-
17 missioner does not use the aircraft any more than
18 the Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, or
19 family member’s proportionate share of ownership
20 allows);

21 “(3) the flight consists of the personal use of an
22 aircraft by a Member, Delegate, or Resident Com-
23 missioner that is supplied by an individual on the
24 basis of personal friendship; or

1 “(4) the aircraft is operated by an entity of the
2 Federal government or an entity of the government
3 of any State.

4 “(c) In this clause—

5 “(1) the term ‘campaign funds’ includes funds
6 of any political committee under the Federal Elec-
7 tion Campaign Act of 1971, without regard to
8 whether the committee is an authorized committee
9 of the Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner
10 involved under such Act;

11 “(2) the term ‘family member’ means an indi-
12 vidual who is related to the Member, Delegate, or
13 Resident Commissioner, as father, mother, son,
14 daughter, brother, sister, husband, wife, father-in-
15 law, or mother-in-law; and

16 “(3) the term ‘on the basis of personal friend-
17 ship’ has the same meaning as in clause 5 of rule
18 XXV and shall be determined as under clause
19 5(a)(3)(D)(ii) of rule XXV.”.

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