

**AMENDMENT TO H. RES. 5**  
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Add at the end of section 3 the following new sub-  
section:

1           (o)    CONGRESSIONAL   MEMBER   ORGANIZATION  
2   TRANSPARENCY REFORM.—

3                   (1)   PAYMENT OF SALARIES AND EXPENSES  
4           THROUGH ACCOUNT OF ORGANIZATION.—A Member  
5           of the House of Representatives and an eligible Con-  
6           gressional Member Organization may enter into an  
7           agreement under which—

8                           (A) an employee of the Member’s office  
9                           may carry out official and representational du-  
10                          ties of the Member by assignment to the Orga-  
11                          nization; and

12                          (B) to the extent that the employee carries  
13                          out such duties under the agreement, the Mem-  
14                          ber shall transfer the portion of the Members’  
15                          Representation Allowance of the Member which  
16                          would otherwise be used for the salary and re-  
17                          lated expenses of the employee to a dedicated  
18                          account in the House of Representatives which  
19                          is administered by the Organization, in accord-

1           ance with the regulations promulgated by the  
2           Committee on House Administration under  
3           paragraph (2).

4           (2) REGULATIONS.—The Committee on House  
5           Administration (hereafter referred to as the “Com-  
6           mittee”) shall promulgate regulations as follows:

7                   (A) USE OF MRA.—Pursuant to the au-  
8                   thority of section 101(d) of the House of Rep-  
9                   resentatives Administrative Reform Technical  
10                  Corrections Act (2 U.S.C. 5341(d)), the Com-  
11                  mittee shall prescribe regulations to provide  
12                  that an eligible Congressional Member Organi-  
13                  zation may use the amounts transferred to the  
14                  Organization’s dedicated account under para-  
15                  graph (1)(B) for the same purposes for which  
16                  a Member of the House of Representatives may  
17                  use the Members’ Representational Allowance,  
18                  except that the Organization may not use such  
19                  amounts for franked mail, official travel, or  
20                  leases of space or vehicles.

21                  (B) MAINTENANCE OF LIMITATIONS ON  
22                  NUMBER OF SHARED EMPLOYEES.—Pursuant  
23                  to the authority of section 104(d) of the House  
24                  of Representatives Administrative Reform Tech-  
25                  nical Corrections Act (2 U.S.C. 5321(d)), the

1           Committee shall prescribe regulations to provide  
2           that an employee of the office of a Member of  
3           the House of Representatives who is covered by  
4           an agreement entered into under paragraph (1)  
5           between the Member and an eligible Congres-  
6           sional Member Organization shall be considered  
7           a shared employee of the Member's office and  
8           the Organization for purposes of such section,  
9           and shall include in such regulations appro-  
10          priate accounting standards to ensure that a  
11          Member of the House of Representatives who  
12          enters into an agreement with such an Organi-  
13          zation under paragraph (1) does not employ  
14          more employees than the Member is authorized  
15          to employ under such section.

16                   (C) PARTICIPATION IN STUDENT LOAN RE-  
17                   PAYMENT PROGRAM.—Pursuant to the author-  
18                   ity of section 105(b) of the Legislative Branch  
19                   Appropriations Act, 2003 (2 U.S.C. 4536(b)),  
20                   relating to the student loan repayment program  
21                   for employees of the House, the Committee  
22                   shall promulgate regulations to provide that, in  
23                   the case of an employee who is covered by an  
24                   agreement entered into under paragraph (1) be-  
25                   tween a Member of the House of Representa-

1           tives and an eligible Congressional Member Or-  
2           ganization and who participates in such pro-  
3           gram while carrying out duties under the agree-  
4           ment—

5                   (i) any funds made available for mak-  
6                   ing payments under the program with re-  
7                   spect to the employee shall be transferred  
8                   to the Organization's dedicated account  
9                   under paragraph (1)(B); and

10                   (ii) the Organization shall use the  
11                   funds to repay a student loan taken out by  
12                   the employee, under the same terms and  
13                   conditions which would apply under the  
14                   program if the Organization were the em-  
15                   ploying office of the employee.

16                   (D) ACCESS TO HOUSE SERVICES.—The  
17                   Committee shall prescribe regulations to ensure  
18                   that an eligible Congressional Member Organi-  
19                   zation has appropriate access to services of the  
20                   House.

21                   (E) OTHER REGULATIONS.—The Com-  
22                   mittee shall promulgate such other regulations  
23                   as may be appropriate to carry out this sub-  
24                   section.

1           (3) ELIGIBLE CONGRESSIONAL MEMBER ORGA-  
2           NIZATION DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term  
3           “eligible Congressional Member Organization”  
4           means, with respect to the One Hundred Fourteenth  
5           Congress, an organization meeting each of the fol-  
6           lowing requirements:

7                   (A) The organization is registered as a  
8                   Congressional Member Organization with the  
9                   Committee on House Administration.

10                   (B) The organization designates a single  
11                   Member of the House of Representatives to be  
12                   responsible for the administration of the organi-  
13                   zation, including the administration of the ac-  
14                   count administered under paragraph (1)(B),  
15                   and includes the identification of such Member  
16                   with the statement of organization that the or-  
17                   ganization files and maintains with the Com-  
18                   mittee on House Administration.

19                   (C) At least 3 employees of the House are  
20                   assigned to work for the organization.

21                   (D) During the One Hundred Thirteenth  
22                   Congress, at least 30 Members of the House of  
23                   Representatives used a portion of the Members’  
24                   Representational Allowance of the Member for  
25                   the salary and related expenses of an employee

1           who was a shared employee of the Member's of-  
2           fice and the organization.

3           (E) The organization files a statement  
4           with the Committee on House Administration  
5           and the Chief Administrative Officer of the  
6           House of Representatives certifying that it will  
7           administer an account in accordance with para-  
8           graph (1)(B).

