AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. GINGREY OF GEORGIA

Page 548, after line 8, add the following new section:

SEC. 1115. RESTRICTIONS RELATING TO USE OF OFFICIAL TIME.

(a) In general.—Except as provided in subsection (b), an employee of the Department of Defense may not use official time for any of the purposes described in subsection (a), (c), or (d) of section 7131 of title 5, United States Code.

(b) Savings provision.—Nothing in this Act shall have the effect of causing official time to be denied or otherwise made unavailable to an employee of the Department of Defense for purposes of—

(1) the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement, if commenced before the date of enactment of this Act;

(2) any proceeding before the Federal Labor Relations Authority, if commenced before the date of enactment of this Act; or

(3) any other matter, pending on the date of enactment of this Act, in connection with which any employee of the Department of Defense is a party.
official time has been used or granted before such date.

(c) OFFICIAL TIME.—For purposes of this section, the term “official time” means official time as referred to in section 7131 of title 5, United States Code.