

HRES 695

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives on the appointment by the Attorney General of an outside special counsel to investigate certain recent leaks of apparently classified and highly sensitive information on United States military and intelligence plans, programs, and operations.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 28, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 SRES 489	Identical bill	Jun 12, 2012: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3982)

Summary (as of Jun 20, 2012)

Expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that the Attorney General (AG) should: (1) delegate to an outside special counsel (counsel) all AG authority relating to investigations by the Department of Justice (DOJ) of any and all unauthorized disclosures of classified and highly sensitive information related to various military and intelligence plans, programs, and operations as reported in recent publications; and (2) direct the counsel to exercise such authority independently of the supervision or control of any DOJ officer.

Expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that: (1) the counsel should investigate any and all such disclosures and, where appropriate, prosecute those responsible; and (2) the President should assess whether any such disclosures damaged the national security and how such damage can be mitigated.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 28, 2012: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- Jun 20, 2012: Introduced in House
- Jun 20, 2012: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.