

HR 568

To amend title 5, United States Code, to require that the Office of Personnel Management submit an annual report to Congress relating to the use of official time by Federal employees.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Sponsor

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| Rep. Meadows, Mark [R-NC-11] | R · NC | | Feb 28, 2013 |

Committee Activity

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| Oversight and Government Reform Committee | House | Reported By | Jul 16, 2013 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 113 HR 2748 | Related bill | Jan 2, 2015: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 564. |
| 113 S 1338 | Related bill | Jul 23, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. |

Requires the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), not later than March 31 of each year, to report to Congress on the use of official time by federal employees. Requires each federal agency, not later than December 31 of each year, to submit to OPM information required for OPM's report to Congress.

Defines "official time" as any period of time granted to a federal employee to perform representational or consultative functions in labor-management relations during which the employee would otherwise be in a duty status.

Requires OPM's report to Congress to include: (1) the total amount of official time granted to employees, (2) the average amount of official time expended per bargaining unit employee, (3) the specific types of activities or purposes for which official time was granted and the impact which the granting of such official time had on agency operations, (4) the total number of employees to whom official time was granted and the total number of such employees who were not engaged in any work activities or purposes except those involving the use of official time, and (5) the total amount of compensation (including fringe benefits) afforded to employees in connection with activities or purposes for which they were granted official time. Requires the information submitted by OPM to be shown both agency-by-agency and for all agencies and to be accompanied by corresponding information in previous reports, together with appropriate comparisons and analyses.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 16, 2013:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H. Rept. 113-154.
- **Jul 16, 2013:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 111.
- **May 22, 2013:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 22, 2013:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Feb 6, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 6, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.