

HRES 676

Providing for authority to initiate litigation for actions by the President or other executive branch officials inconsistent with their duties under the Constitution of the United States.

Congress: 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Congress

Introduced: Jul 22, 2014

Current Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 225 - 201 (Roll no. 468). (text: CR H7

Latest Action: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 225 - 201 (Roll no. 468). (text: CR H7087) (Jul 30, 2014)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]

Party: Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Discharged From	Jul 28, 2014
Rules Committee	House	Reported By	Jul 28, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Congress

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HRES 694	Related bill	Jul 30, 2014: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 227 - 196 (Roll no. 466). (text: CR H7058-7059)

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on July 28, 2014. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Authorizes the Speaker of the House of Representatives to initiate or intervene in one or more civil actions, on behalf of the House, in a federal court of competent jurisdiction to seek any appropriate relief regarding the failure of the President, the head of any department or agency, or any other executive branch officer or employee, to act in a manner consistent with that official's duties under the U.S. Constitution and federal laws with respect to implementation of requirements of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), certain PPACA-related requirements in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, including any amendment made by them, or any other related provision of law, including a failure to implement it.

Requires the Speaker to notify the House of a decision to initiate or intervene in any such civil action.

Requires the Office of the General Counsel of the House, at the direction of the Speaker, to represent the House in the civil action initiated, or in which the House intervenes. Authorizes the Office to employ the services of outside counsel and other experts for this purpose.

Requires: (1) the chair of the Committee on House Administration to cause to be printed in the Congressional Record a statement setting forth the aggregate amounts expended by the Office on the outside counsel and other experts on a quarterly basis, and (2) the statement to be submitted for printing within 30 days after the expiration of each quarter.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 30, 2014:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 694. (consideration: CR H7087-7099)
- **Jul 30, 2014:** The resolution provides for consideration of both H. Res. 676 and H.R. 935 in the House. Both measures are debatable for one hour.
- **Jul 30, 2014:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H. Res. 676.
- **Jul 30, 2014:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule. (consideration: CR H7099)
- **Jul 30, 2014:** Passed/agreed to in House: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 225 - 201 (Roll no. 468).(text: CR H7087)
- **Jul 30, 2014:** On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 225 - 201 (Roll no. 468). (text: CR H7087)
- **Jul 29, 2014:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 694 Reported to House. The resolution provides for consideration of both H. Res. 676 and H.R. 935 in the House. Both measures are debatable for one hour.
- **Jul 28, 2014:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Rules. H. Rept. 113-561, Part I.
- **Jul 28, 2014:** Committee on House Administration discharged.
- **Jul 28, 2014:** Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 129.
- **Jul 22, 2014:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 22, 2014:** Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.