
HRES 779

To establish prospective standards effective January 20, 2017 defining impeachable "high crimes and misdemeanors" within the meaning of Article II, section 4 as applied to the President of the United States to provide fair warning and evenhandedness in the administration of the impeachment power of the House of Representatives.

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Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 11, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Declares that the following presidential actions shall constitute impeachable "high crimes and misdemeanors," which will cause the House of Representatives to vote articles of impeachment to send to the Senate for trial:

- initiating war without express congressional authorization;
- killing American citizens in the United States or abroad who are not engaged in active hostilities against the United States without due process (unless the citizen was under indictment for a felony and the killing was necessary to prevent imminent serious physical danger to third parties);
- failing to superintend subordinates guilty of chronic constitutional abuses;
- expending money in violation of conditions imposed for the expenditure of appropriated funds;
- intentionally lying to Congress to obtain an authorization for war;
- failing to take care that the laws be faithfully executed through signing statements or systematic policies of non-enforcement;
- substituting executive agreements for treaties;
- intentionally lying under oath to a federal judge or grand jury;
- misusing federal agencies to advance a partisan political agenda; and
- refusing to comply with a congressional subpoena for documents or testimony issued for a legitimate legislative purpose.

Makes this Act effective January 20, 2017.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 11, 2014:** Introduced in House
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