

HRES 198

To establish standards defining impeachable "high crimes and misdemeanors" within the meaning of Article II, section 4 as applied to the President of the United States.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 15, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

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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 killing was necessary to prevent imminent serious physical danger to third parties);
- failing to superintend subordinates guilty of chronic constitutional abuses;
- spending appropriated funds in violation of conditions imposed for expenditure;
- 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 nonenforcement;
- 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;
- refusing to comply with a congressional subpoena for documents or testimony issued for a legitimate legislative purpose; and
- issuing executive orders or presidential memoranda that infringe upon or circumvent the constitutional powers of Congress.

Makes this Act effective upon passage by the House of Representatives.

Actions Timeline

- **May 15, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Apr 13, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 13, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.