

## HRES 1331

Moving Our Democracy and Congressional Operations Towards Modernization Resolution of 2022

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Congress

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management. (Sep 7, 2022)

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### Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Timmons, William R. IV [R-SC-4]	R · SC		Sep 6, 2022
Rep. Davis, Rodney [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Sep 9, 2022
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Sep 9, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Sep 6, 2022
Rules Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 6, 2022
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 7, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Congress

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

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This resolution implements recommendations made by the House Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress.

The recommendations include

- enhancing bipartisan collaboration by, for example, establishing a space in the U.S. Capitol for bipartisan gathering and encouraging committees to experiment with alternative hearing formats;
- revising various administrative matters, such as authorizing the use of bulk purchases for supplies and services for Member offices, requiring offices to establish continuity of operations plans, and implementing secure information transfer practices;
- supporting efforts related to workforce and human resource management in the House; and
- improving accessibility of congressional spaces and websites for individuals with disabilities.

The resolution also requires (1) reevaluating the method of calculating Representational Allowances (funds provided to Members for operating their offices and carrying out their official and representational duties), and (2) publishing information about the expenditures and staffing of eligible Congressional Member Organizations (groups of Members that register with the Committee on House Administration in support of a common legislative objective).

### Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 7, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
- **Sep 6, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 6, 2022:** Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.