

efforts in education and science and innovation.

I would hope that we would think for a minute about what we could actually do to take America's exceptional past and create a real roadmap for our Nation's future, ensuring it on a fiscal footing that will be stronger.

I have introduced this morning H.R. 1125. It is a proposal to address the Nation's debt and create a debt-free America. I invite the House to debate on it.

**PROVIDING FOR THE EXPENSES OF CERTAIN COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN THE 112TH CONGRESS**

Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California. Mr. Speaker, I call up House Resolution 147 and ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 147

*Resolved,*

**SECTION 1. COMMITTEE EXPENSES FOR THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH CONGRESS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the One Hundred Twelfth Congress, there shall be paid out of the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives, in accordance with this primary expense resolution, not more than the amount specified in subsection (b) for the expenses (including the expenses of all staff salaries) of each committee named in such subsection.

(b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee on Agriculture, \$12,235,047; Committee on Armed Services, \$15,050,528; Committee on the Budget, \$12,066,370; Committee on Education and the Workforce, \$16,692,508; Committee on Energy and Commerce, \$22,409,582; Committee on Ethics, \$5,868,311; Committee on Financial Services, \$17,399,282; Committee on Foreign Affairs, \$17,904,940; Committee on Homeland Security, \$16,887,448; Committee on House Administration, \$10,516,013; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, \$10,307,500; Committee on the Judiciary, \$16,802,812; Committee on Natural Resources, \$15,739,532; Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, \$21,226,108; Committee on Rules, \$6,783,970; Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, \$13,346,273; Committee on Small Business, \$6,874,000; Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, \$19,830,446; Committee on Veterans' Affairs, \$7,285,256; and Committee on Ways and Means, \$19,602,731.

**SEC. 2. FIRST SESSION LIMITATIONS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not more than the amount specified in such subsection shall be available for expenses incurred during the period beginning at noon on January 3, 2011, and ending immediately before noon on January 3, 2012.

(b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee on Agriculture, \$6,189,494; Committee on Armed Services, \$7,525,264; Committee on the Budget, \$6,033,185; Committee on Education and the

Workforce, \$8,346,254; Committee on Energy and Commerce, \$10,980,940; Committee on Ethics, \$2,824,535; Committee on Financial Services, \$8,441,264; Committee on Foreign Affairs, \$8,952,470; Committee on Homeland Security, \$8,443,724; Committee on House Administration, \$4,949,176; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, \$5,153,750; Committee on the Judiciary, \$8,401,406; Committee on Natural Resources, \$7,869,766; Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, \$10,613,054; Committee on Rules, \$3,391,985; Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, \$6,685,637; Committee on Small Business, \$3,214,891; Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, \$9,915,223; Committee on Veterans' Affairs, \$3,602,745; and Committee on Ways and Means, \$9,801,365.

**SEC. 3. SECOND SESSION LIMITATIONS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not more than the amount specified in such subsection shall be available for expenses incurred during the period beginning at noon on January 3, 2012, and ending immediately before noon on January 3, 2013.

(b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee on Agriculture, \$6,045,553; Committee on Armed Services, \$7,525,264; Committee on the Budget, \$6,033,185; Committee on Education and the Workforce, \$8,346,254; Committee on Energy and Commerce, \$11,428,642; Committee on Ethics, \$3,043,776; Committee on Financial Services, \$8,958,018; Committee on Foreign Affairs, \$8,952,470; Committee on Homeland Security, \$8,443,724; Committee on House Administration, \$5,566,837; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, \$5,153,750; Committee on the Judiciary, \$8,401,406; Committee on Natural Resources, \$7,869,766; Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, \$10,613,054; Committee on Rules, \$3,391,985; Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, \$6,660,637; Committee on Small Business, \$3,659,109; Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, \$9,915,223; Committee on Veterans' Affairs, \$3,682,512; and Committee on Ways and Means, \$9,801,366.

(c) REVIEW OF USE OF FUNDS IN FIRST SESSION.—None of the amounts provided for in section 1 for a committee named in subsection (b) may be available for expenses of the committee after March 15, 2012, unless the chair or ranking minority member of the committee appears and presents testimony at a hearing of the Committee on House Administration held prior to such date to review the committee's use of the amounts provided for in section 1 during the first session of the One Hundred Twelfth Congress and to determine whether the amount specified in subsection (b) with respect to the committee should be updated on the basis of the review.

**SEC. 4. VOUCHERS.**

Payments under this resolution shall be made on vouchers authorized by the committee involved, signed by the chairman of such committee, and approved in the manner directed by the Committee on House Administration.

**SEC. 5. REGULATIONS.**

Amounts made available under this resolution shall be expended in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Committee on House Administration.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

**PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1076, PROHIBITING FEDERAL FUNDING OF NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO**

Mr. NUGENT. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 174 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 174

*Resolved,* That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 1076) to prohibit Federal funding of National Public Radio and the use of Federal funds to acquire radio content. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce; and (2) one motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Florida is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. NUGENT. For the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. SLAUGHTER). During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

**GENERAL LEAVE**

Mr. NUGENT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Florida?

There was no objection.

Mr. NUGENT. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 174 provides for a closed rule for consideration of H.R. 1076. The rule provides for ample debate on this bill and gives Members of both the minority and the majority an opportunity to participate in the debate.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of this rule and the underlying bill. H.R. 1076 prohibits direct funding to NPR—National Public Radio. In fiscal year 2010, NPR received over \$5 million in direct Federal funding from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the Department of Education, the Department of Commerce, and the National Endowment for the Arts. Moreover, hundreds of public radio stations received direct radio grants in the amount of \$67 million. Radio stations can use these grants for whatever they want. It's unrestricted. Often, stations use these funds to pay dues to NPR and pay fees for NPR programming. According to NPR's Web site, they are "an independent, self-supporting media organization." However, they also admit their revenue "comes primarily from fees paid by their member stations." In fact, membership dues and station programming fees account for 36 percent of NPR funding.