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2D SESSION

H. R. 6438

To amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to subject the pay of the President, the Vice President, and Members of the House of Representatives and the Senate to any sequestration order for fiscal year 2013.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 19, 2012

Mr. BASS of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. DOLD, Mr. MATHESON, Mr. GERLACH, Mr. LANDRY, Mr. COBLE, Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. SCHILLING, Mr. PETRI, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. RENACCI, Mr. DUFFY, and Mr. CULBERSON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Member Pay Reduction
5 and Responsibility Act of 2012”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCLUSION OF THE PRESIDENT, THE VICE PRESI-**
2 **DENT, AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS IN ANY**
3 **SEQUESTRATION ORDER FOR FISCAL YEAR**
4 **2013.**

5 Section 256(g) of the Balanced Budget and Emer-
6 gency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 906(g)) is
7 amended by adding at the end the following:

8 “(3) PAY FOR THE PRESIDENT, THE VICE
9 PRESIDENT, AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS TO BE
10 COVERED BY ANY SEQUESTRATION ORDER FOR FIS-
11 CAL YEAR 2013.—

12 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If any sequestration
13 under this part takes effect for fiscal year
14 2013, the Presidential order implementing such
15 sequestration shall reduce the pay of the Presi-
16 dent, the Vice President, and Members of Con-
17 gress by a percentage equal to the greater of—

18 “(i) the percentage by which accounts
19 within the non-exempt, non-security cat-
20 egory are reduced under such order; or

21 “(ii) 8.2 percent.

22 “(B) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this
23 subsection, the term ‘Member of Congress’ re-
24 fers to an individual who holds a position under
25 subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of section 601(a)

1 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946
2 (2 U.S.C. 31).

3 “(C) SPECIAL RULE.—Any reduction
4 under this paragraph in the rate of pay of the
5 President shall take effect as of noon on Janu-
6 ary 20, 2013.”.

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