

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 8089

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit Members of Congress from making direct and personal solicitations of campaign funds when Congress is in session, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 15, 2022

Mr. PHILLIPS (for himself and Mr. GALLAGHER) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

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 “On the Clock Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITING MEMBERS OF CONGRESS FROM MAK-**
2 **ING DIRECT AND PERSONAL SOLICITATIONS**
3 **OF CAMPAIGN FUNDS WHILE IN SESSION.**

4 (a) PROHIBITION.—Title III of the Federal Election
5 Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30101 et seq.) is
6 amended by adding at the end the following new section:

7 **“SEC. 325. PROHIBITING MEMBERS OF CONGRESS FROM**
8 **MAKING DIRECT AND PERSONAL SOLICITA-**
9 **TIONS OF CAMPAIGN FUNDS WHILE IN SES-**
10 **SION.**

11 “(a) PROHIBITION.—An individual holding the office
12 of Senator or Representative in, or Delegate or Resident
13 Commissioner to, the Congress may not make a direct and
14 personal solicitation of funds in connection with an elec-
15 tion for Federal office or an election for State or local
16 office—

17 “(1) in the case of an individual holding the of-
18 fice of Senator, on any day on which the Senate is
19 in session, other than during the portion of the day
20 which occurs before the Senate convenes and the
21 portion of the day which occurs after the Senate ad-
22 journals; or

23 “(2) in the case of an individual holding the of-
24 fice of Representative in, or Delegate or Resident
25 Commissioner to, the Congress, on any day on which
26 the House of Representatives is in session, other

1 than during the portion of the day which occurs be-
2 fore the House convenes and the portion of the day
3 which occurs after the House adjourns.

4 “(b) EXCEPTION FOR PRO FORMA SESSIONS.—Sub-
5 section (a) does not apply—

6 “(1) in the case of paragraph (1) of subsection
7 (a), to a day on which the Senate convenes solely in
8 a pro forma session; and

9 “(2) in the case of paragraph (2) of subsection
10 (a), to a day on which the House of Representatives
11 convenes solely in a pro forma session.”.

12 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
13 this section shall apply with respect to elections occurring
14 after December 2022.

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