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S. 188

To prohibit the use of Federal funds for the costs of painting portraits
of officers and employees of the Federal Government.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 23, 2017

Mr. CASSIDY (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mrs. McCASKILL, and Mrs. FISCHER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

A BILL

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portraits of officers and employees of the Federal Government.

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 “Eliminating Govern-
5 ment-funded Oil-painting Act” or the “EGO Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR PORTRAITS.**

7 (a) PROHIBITION.—No funds appropriated or other-
8 wise made available to the Federal Government may be
9 used to pay for the painting of a portrait of an officer

1 or employee of the Federal Government, including the
2 President, the Vice President, a Member of Congress, the
3 head of an executive agency, or the head of an office of
4 the legislative branch.

5 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

6 (1) the term “executive agency” has the mean-
7 ing given the term in section 133 of title 41, United
8 States Code; and

9 (2) the term “Member of Congress” includes a
10 Delegate or Resident Commissioner to Congress.

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