

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

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1ST SESSION**H. RES.** _____

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. GUINTA submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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- 1 *Resolved*, That clause 3 of rule XIII of the Rules of
- 2 the House of Representatives is amended by adding at the
- 3 end the following new paragraph:

1 “(i)(1) Each report of a committee on a public bill
2 or public joint resolution shall contain the following:

3 “(A) An analysis by the Congressional Research
4 Service (CRS) to determine if the bill or joint resolu-
5 tion creates any new Federal program, office, or ini-
6 tiative that would duplicate or overlap with any ex-
7 isting Federal entity with similar mission, purpose,
8 goals, or activities, along with a listing of all such
9 instances of duplication or overlapping created by
10 the bill or joint resolution.

11 “(B) If the analysis provided under subdivision
12 (A) indicates that the new program, office, or initia-
13 tive would create duplication or overlapping, an ex-
14 planation provided by the committee as to why the
15 creation of the new program, office, or initiative is
16 necessary.

17 “(2) It shall not be in order to consider a public bill
18 or public joint resolution reported by a committee unless
19 the committee has posted on its public website the analysis
20 provided under subparagraph (1)(A) and (if necessary)
21 the explanation provided under subparagraph (1)(B).”.