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S. RES. 66

[Report No. 98-167]

To establish regulations to implement television and radio coverage of proceedings of the Senate.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 16 (legislative day, FEBRUARY 14), 1983

Mr. MATHIAS (for himself, Mr. BAKER, Mr. DECONCINI, Mr. GARN, Mr. MCCLURE, Mr. GOLDWATER, Mr. PRESSLER, Mr. ROTH, Mr. PERCY, Mr. WEICKER, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. KASTEN, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mr. SYMMS, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. QUAYLE, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. GORTON, Mr. TRIBLE, and Mr. WILSON) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

JUNE 28 (legislative day, JUNE 27), 1983

Reported by Mr. MATHIAS, without amendment

RESOLUTION

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Whereas on April 21, 1982, the Senate agreed to S. Res. 20, Ninety-seventh Congress, which provided for television or radio coverage, or both, of proceedings of the Senate, subject to the adoption of a resolution containing such regulations and such rules changes as are needed to implement

television or radio coverage, or both, of proceedings of the Senate: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That (a) the Senate hereby authorizes and di-
2 rects that there be both television and radio broadcast cover-
3 age (together with videotape and audio recordings) of pro-
4 ceedings in the Senate Chamber.

5 (b) Such broadcast coverage shall be—

6 (1) provided in accordance with the provisions of
7 this resolution,

8 (2) provided continuously at all times when the
9 Senate is in session (or is meeting in Committee of the
10 Whole), except for any time when a meeting with
11 closed doors is ordered, and

12 (3) provided subject to the provisions pertaining to
13 the Senate gallery contained in the following Standing
14 Rules of the Senate: rule XIX, paragraphs 6 and 7,
15 rule XXV, paragraph 1(n), and rule XXXIII, para-
16 graph 2.

17 SEC. 2. The radio and television broadcast of Senate
18 proceedings shall be—

19 (a) supervised and operated by the Senate,

20 (b) made available on a “live” basis and free of
21 charge to (1) any accredited member of the Senate
22 Radio and Television Correspondents Gallery, (2) the
23 coaxial cable system of the Architect of the Capitol,
24 and (3) such other news gathering, education, or infor-

1 mation distributing entity as may be authorized by the
2 Committee on Rules and Administration to receive
3 such broadcast.

4 SEC. 3. The television broadcast of Senate proceedings
5 shall follow the Presiding Officer and Senators who are rec-
6 ognized to speak by the Presiding Officer (including Senators
7 who are so recognized with the consent of another Senator to
8 interrupt such other Senator).

9 SEC. 4. (a) The broadcast coverage by radio and televi-
10 sion of the proceedings of the Senate shall be implemented as
11 provided in this section.

12 (b) The Architect of the Capitol, in consultation with the
13 Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, shall—

14 (1) construct necessary broadcasting facilities for
15 both radio and television (including a control room and
16 the modification of Senate sound and lighting fixtures),

17 (2) employ necessary expert consultants, and

18 (3) acquire and install all necessary equipment and
19 facilities to (A) produce a broadcast-quality “live”
20 audio and color video signal of such proceedings, and
21 (B) provide an archive-quality audio and color video
22 tape recording of such proceedings:

23 *Provided*, That the Architect of the Capitol, in carrying out
24 the duties specified in clauses (1) through (3) of this subsec-
25 tion, shall not enter into any contract for the purchase or

1 installation of equipment, for the employment of any consult-
2 ant, or for the provision of training to any person, unless the
3 same shall first have been approved by the Committee on
4 Rules and Administration.

5 (c) The Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate
6 shall (1) employ such staff as may be necessary, working in
7 conjunction with the Senate Recording and Photographic
8 Studios, to operate and maintain all broadcast audio and
9 color video equipment installed pursuant to this resolution,
10 (2) make audio and video tape recordings of Senate proceed-
11 ings, (3) make copies of such recordings available, upon pay-
12 ment to him of a fee fixed therefor by the Committee on
13 Rules and Administration, to Members of the Senate and to
14 each person described in subsection (b)(1) and (3) of section 2
15 of this resolution, and (4) retain for ninety days after the day
16 any Senate proceedings took place such recordings thereof,
17 and as soon thereafter as possible, transmit to the Librarian
18 of Congress and to the Archivist of the United States copies
19 of such recordings: *Provided*, That the Sergeant at Arms and
20 Doorkeeper of the Senate, in carrying out the duties specified
21 in clauses (1) and (2) of this subsection, shall comply with
22 appropriate Senate procurement and other regulations.

23 (d) The Librarian of Congress and the Archivist of the
24 United States shall each receive, store, and make available to
25 the public, at no cost for viewing or listening on the premises

1 where stored and upon payment of a fee equal to the cost
2 involved through distribution of taped copies, recordings of
3 Senate proceedings transmitted to them by the Sergeant at
4 Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate.

5 SEC. 5. (a) As soon as practicable after the necessary
6 equipment has been installed, there shall begin a test period
7 during which tests of radio and television coverage of Senate
8 proceedings shall be conducted by the staffs of the Committee
9 on Rules and Administration and of the Office of the Ser-
10 geant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate. Such test
11 period shall end on such date as may be agreed upon by the
12 majority leader, the minority leader, the chairman of the
13 Committee on Rules and Administration, and the ranking mi-
14 nority member of such committee.

15 (b) During such test period—

16 (1) final procedures for camera direction control
17 shall be established,

18 (2) coverage of Senate proceedings shall not be
19 transmitted, except that, at the direction of the chair-
20 man of the Committee on Rules and Administration,
21 such coverage may be transmitted over the coaxial
22 cable system of the Architect of the Capitol, and

23 (3) recordings of Senate proceedings shall be
24 made and retained by the Sergeant at Arms and Door-
25 keeper of the Senate.

1 SEC. 6. The use of tape duplications of broadcast cover-
2 age of the proceedings of the Senate for political or commer-
3 cial purposes is strictly prohibited; and any such tape duplica-
4 tion furnished to any person shall be made on the condition
5 that it not be used for political or commercial purposes.

6 SEC. 7. Any changes in the regulations made by this
7 resolution shall be made only by Senate resolution. However,
8 the Committee on Rules and Administration may adopt such
9 procedures and such regulations, which do not contravene
10 the regulations made by this resolution, as it deems necessary
11 to assure the proper implementation of the purposes of this
12 resolution and S. Res. 20, Ninety-seventh Congress.

13 SEC. 8. Such funds as may be necessary (but not in
14 excess of \$3,500,000) to carry out this resolution shall be
15 expended from the contingent fund of the Senate.

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