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114TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. RES.

Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to permit Delegates and the Resident Commissioner to the Congress to cast votes in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. BORDALLO submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

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1       *Resolved,*

2       **SECTION 1. VOTING BY DELEGATES AND RESIDENT COM-**  
3               **MISSIONER IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.**

4       (a) PERMITTING VOTES TO BE CAST.—Clause 3(a)  
5 of rule III of the Rules of the House of Representatives  
6 is amended by inserting before the first sentence the fol-  
7 lowing: “In a Committee of the Whole House on the state

1 of the Union, each Delegate and the Resident Commis-  
2 sioner shall possess the same powers and privileges as  
3 Members of the House.”.

4 (b) APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR.—The first sentence of  
5 clause 1 of rule XVIII of the Rules of the House of Rep-  
6 resentatives is amended by striking “Member” and insert-  
7 ing “Member, Delegate, or the Resident Commissioner”.

8 (c) REPEATING OF CERTAIN VOTES.—Clause 6 of  
9 rule XVIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives  
10 is amended by adding at the end the following new para-  
11 graph:

12 “(h) Whenever a recorded vote on any question has  
13 been decided by a margin within which the votes cast by  
14 the Delegates and the Resident Commissioner have been  
15 decisive, the Committee of the Whole shall rise and the  
16 Speaker shall put such question de novo without inter-  
17 vening motion. Upon the announcement of the vote on  
18 that question, the Committee of the Whole shall resume  
19 its sitting without intervening motion.”.