

Statement of Congressman Walter Jones
House Administration Committee Hearing on H.R. 186
June 25, 2014

- Madame Chairwoman, I'd like to thank you and Ranking Member Brady for your help in scheduling a hearing on this bill today.

- H.R. 186 is non-controversial and supported by members on both sides of the aisle.

- This committee, as well as the House of Representatives, has approved this bill by voice vote in each of the past three congresses (in 2008, 2009 and 2012).

- The bill would allow candidates for Federal office to submit a simple statement to the FEC to designate an individual to disburse funds from the candidate's authorized campaign accounts in the event of the candidate's death.

- It would also allow candidates the option to provide instructions regarding the disbursement of such funds.

- The bill is needed because federal law does not directly address the disposition of campaign funds when a candidate dies.

- H.R. 186 will give candidates peace of mind knowing that funds in their campaign accounts will be disbursed in a manner consistent with their wishes.

- I urge members to support this non-controversial, common-sense measure, and I thank you for your time.