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H. RES. _____

Establishing a Select Subcommittee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government as a select investigative subcommittee of the Committee on the Judiciary.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. JORDAN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on ________________

RESOLUTION

Establishing a Select Subcommittee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government as a select investigative subcommittee of the Committee on the Judiciary.

Resolved,

SECTION 1. SELECT SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE WEAPONIZATION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT; COMPOSITION.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established for the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress a select investigative subcommittee of the Committee
on the Judiciary called the Select Subcommittee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government (hereinafter referred to as the “select subcommittee”).

(2) COMPOSITION.—

(A) The select subcommittee shall be composed of the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary, together with not more than 13 other Members, Delegates, or the Resident Commissioner appointed by the Speaker, of whom not more than 5 shall be appointed in consultation with the Minority Leader. The Speaker shall designate one member of the select subcommittee as its chair. Any vacancy in the select subcommittee shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

(B) Each member appointed to the select subcommittee shall be treated as though a member of the Committee on the Judiciary for purposes of the select subcommittee.

(b) INVESTIGATIVE FUNCTIONS AND AUTHORITY.—

(1) INVESTIGATIVE FUNCTIONS.—The select subcommittee is authorized and directed to conduct a full and complete investigation and study and, not later than January 2, 2025, issue a final report to
the House of its findings (and such interim reports as it may deem necessary) regarding—

(A) the expansive role of Article II authority vested in the Executive Branch to collect information on or otherwise investigate citizens of the United States, including ongoing criminal investigations;

(B) how executive branch agencies work with, obtain information from, and provide information to the private sector, non-profit entities, or other government agencies to facilitate action against American citizens, including the extent, if any, to which illegal or improper, unconstitutional, or unethical activities were engaged in by the Executive Branch or private sector against citizens of the United States;

(C) how executive branch agencies collect, compile, analyze, use, or disseminate information about citizens of the United States, including any unconstitutional, illegal, or unethical activities committed against citizens of the United States;

(D) the laws, programs, and activities of the Executive Branch as they relate to the collection of information on citizens of the United States;
States and the sources and methods used for
the collection of information on citizens of the
United States;

(E) any other issues related to the violation
of the civil liberties of citizens of the
United States; and

(F) any other matter relating to information
collected pursuant to the investigation con-
ducted under this paragraph at any time during
the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress.

(2) AUTHORITY.—

(A) The select subcommittee may report to
the House or any committee of the House from
time to time the results of its investigations and
studies, together with such detailed findings
and legislative recommendations as it may deem
advisable.

(B) Any markup of legislation shall be held
at the full Committee level consistent with
clause 1(l) of rule X of the Rules of the House
of Representatives.

(c) PROCEDURE.—

(1) Rule XI of the Rules of the House of Rep-
resentatives and the rules of the Committee on the
Judiciary shall apply to the select subcommittee in
the same manner as a subcommittee except as fol-

lows:

(A) The chair of the select subcommittee
may, after consultation with the ranking minor-
ity member, recognize—

(i) members of the select sub-
committee to question a witness for periods
longer than five minutes as though pursu-
ant to clause 2(j)(2)(B) of such rule XI;

and

(ii) staff of the select subcommittee to
question a witness as though pursuant to
clause 2(j)(2)(C) of such rule XI.

(B) The Committee on the Judiciary (or
the chair of the Committee on the Judiciary, if
acting in accordance with clause 2(m)(3)(A)(i)
of rule XI) may authorize and issue subpoenas
to be returned at the select subcommittee.

(C) With regard to the full scope of inves-
tigative authority under subsection (b)(1), the
select subcommittee shall be authorized to re-
ceive information available to the Permanent
Select Committee on Intelligence, consistent
with congressional reporting requirements for
intelligence and intelligence-related activities,
and any such information received shall be subject to the terms and conditions applicable under clause 11 of rule X.

(2) The provisions of this resolution shall govern the proceedings of the select subcommittee in the event of any conflict with the rules of the House or of the Committee on the Judiciary.

(d) Service.—Service on the select subcommittee shall not count against the limitations in clause 5(b)(2)(A) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives.

(e) Successor.—The Committee on the Judiciary is the “successor in interest” to the select subcommittee for purposes of clause 8(e) of rule II of the Rules of the House of Representatives.

(f) Sunset.—The select subcommittee shall cease to exist 30 days after filing the final report required under subsection (b).