



IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

March 21st , 2023

Mr. Brown (for himself,) introduced the following joint resolution;

AN JOINT RESOLUTION

To create the office of “Congressional Secretary”

Resolved by the House of Representatives and Senate of the United States of America in Congress Assembled.

SECTION 1.SHORT TITLE.

This resolution may be cited as “The Congressional Secretary Resolution” or “S.J.Res.1”

SECTION 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that-

- (a) Congress is losing track of bills and is in need of a secretary to keep track and manage legislation.
- (b) Congress believes that a Secretary would ensure all legislation is being tracked and being properly organized in each House of Congress.

SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS.

- (a) Congressional Secretary- or known as; “The Head secretary” or “The Secretary” shall be defined as a staff member who provides administrative and clerical support to members of the United States Congress, including Senators and Representatives.
- (b) Deputy Congressional Secretaries- or known as “Deputy Secretaries” or “Secretaries” shall be defined as a staff member who provides administrative and clerical support to members of the United States Congress, including Senators and Representatives under the direction of the Head Congressional Secretary.

SECTION 4. THE CONGRESSIONAL SECRETARY.

- (a) The Head Congressional Secretary shall be responsible and charged with these duties but not limited to-
 - (i) Moving legislation passed by the House and Senate to the congressional desk and into the House and Senate dockets.
 - (ii) Updating the U.S. Congress bill tracker.
 - (iii) Update the Congressional leadership bill tracker.
 - (iv) Make sure all legislation is considered and updated with amendments or substitutes.
 - (v) Assist all legislators in legislative work.
 - (vi) Communicate with the Speaker of the House and Majority Leader of the Senate on legislative agendas to ensure all legislation receives debate.
- (b) Any deputy secretaries appointed shall execute the responsibilities of the Head Congressional secretary under the direction of the secretary.
- (c) The Head Congressional secretary shall be compensated justly by congress.
 - (i) All deputy secretaries appointed shall be justly compensated no more than the Head secretary.

SECTION 5. APPOINTMENT.

- (a) The Congressional Secretary shall be appointed and confirmed by leaders from both House and Senate.
 - (i) The Speaker of the House shall put forth a privileged resolution nominating the Head congressional secretary that shall pass with a simple majority, and shall be confirmed by the Senate also by a simple majority.

- (ii) The Senate Majority leader shall appoint by privileged resolution at any time deputy secretaries necessary to assist the Head secretary. They will be confirmed by the House and Senate by a simple majority.

SECTION 6. REMOVAL

- (a) Any Congressional Secretaries may be removed from the office by the Speaker of the House and Senate Majority Leader concurring by signed written letter at any time, if they have not been executing their duties.

SECTION 7. ENACTMENT.

This legislation shall come into effect immediately upon passage.