

DISCUSSION DRAFT117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION**H. R.** _____

To amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for the expedited review of actions to which the President is a party, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. TED LIEU of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “_____ Act of
5 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPEDITED REVIEW OF ACTIONS TO WHICH THE**
2 **PRESIDENT IS A PARTY.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 190 of title 28, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 **“§ 5002. Expedited review of actions to which the**
7 **President is a party**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to a covered civil
9 action, the following shall apply:

10 “(1) The court shall advance on the docket and
11 expedite to the greatest possible extent the disposi-
12 tion of such civil action.

13 “(2) Upon the request of a party, the civil ac-
14 tion shall be heard by a three-judge panel pursuant
15 to section 2284.

16 “(3) An appeal may be taken directly to the Su-
17 preme Court of the United States from any final
18 judgment in such a civil action, and if it has not
19 previously ruled on the question, the Supreme Court
20 shall accept jurisdiction over the appeal, advance the
21 appeal on the docket, and expedite the appeal to the
22 greatest extent possible.

23 “(b) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘covered
24 civil action’ means a civil action in which—

25 “(1)(A) the President has a personal financial
26 interest; or

1 “(B) the President’s conduct is alleged to con-
2 stitute sexual harassment, sexual assault, or other
3 sexual misconduct;

4 “(2) the President is properly joined as a party;
5 and

6 “(3) the complainant has stated a valid claim
7 upon which relief can be granted.”.

8 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
9 for chapter 190 of title 28, United States Code, is amend-
10 ed by inserting after the item related to section 5001 the
11 following:

 “5002. Expedited review of actions to which the President is a party.”.