

109TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5486

To prevent the Executive from encroaching upon the Congressional prerogative to make laws, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 25, 2006

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (for herself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. WATT, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. MEEKS of New York, and Mr. McDERMOTT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

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. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.**

4 None of the funds made available to the Executive
5 Office of the President, or to any Executive agency (as
6 defined in section 105 of title 5 of the United States
7 Code), from any source may be used to produce, publish,
8 or disseminate any statement made by the President con-

1 temporaneously with the signing of any bill or joint resolu-
2 tion presented for signing by the President.

3 **SEC. 2. CONSTRUCTION AND APPLICATION OF ACTS OF**
4 **CONGRESS.**

5 For purposes of construing or applying any Act en-
6 acted by the Congress, a Federal entity shall not take into
7 consideration any statement made by the President con-
8 temporaneously with the President's signing of the bill or
9 joint resolution that becomes such Act.

