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**MEMBERS' RIGHT TO VOTE ON SINGLE ISSUES**

Basic to good government are accountability and transparency. Unfortunately, the practice of layering subject upon subject and program upon program in various pieces of legislation has diluted the accountability and transparency of Congress. By loading legislation with myriad and often unrelated components, Members of Congress are forced to vote for things they find objectionable due to other aspects of the measure they find compelling, or to vote against such bills because despite some worthwhile features, they contain unacceptable provisions. Consequently, the American people cannot readily discern what their Representatives actually have supported or opposed.

For these reasons, H.Res.565 modifies the Rules of the House of Representatives to give members the right to vote on the separate legislative propositions in any given bill.

Under the current House Rules, a Member may call for division of the question when a bill contains separate legislative propositions and is grammatically divisible. In practice this leads to separate legislative propositions being linked by carefully constructed sentences.

Because accountability and transparency are so vital to our system of government, they should not be disregarded for sentence structure. Accordingly, my resolution provides for division of the question based on the legislative proposals contained in a bill, not grammatical structure.

Please help return accountability and transparency to Congress by co-sponsoring my resolution. To become a cosponsor please contact Rick Podliska in my office at 5-6611, or by email at [rick.podliska@mail.house.gov](mailto:rick.podliska@mail.house.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Sali".

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