

# House Resolution No. 1256

## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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1           **WHEREAS**, the federal government has increased its power far beyond the confines set  
2 for it by the United States Constitution; and

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4           **WHEREAS**, President Barack Obama and other executive branch officers of the federal  
5 government in particular have unilaterally expanded their power at the expense of the other  
6 branches of government; and

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8           **WHEREAS**, these expanded executive branch powers are threatening basic freedoms  
9 that belong to all citizens; and

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11           **WHEREAS**, it is the proper duty of the United States Congress to control the power of  
12 the purse in order to bring the executive branch in line with its proper role; and

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14           **WHEREAS**, Representative Ken Buck of Colorado has introduced in the United States  
15 House of Representatives H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
16 containing provisions that will rein in executive branch actions in a number of areas; and

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18           **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
19 contains a provision that will defund implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable  
20 Care Act of 2010, also referred to as "Obamacare," thus freeing us from the effects of this  
21 intrusive and fiscally irresponsible law; and

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23           **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
24 contains a provision that will prevent the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) from paying

25 outrageously over-priced law firms to conduct audits of taxpayers, a practice which violates the  
26 privacy provisions in federal law; and

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28         **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
29 contains a provision that will restrict the ability of the President to refuse to enforce immigration  
30 laws; and

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32         **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
33 contains a provision that will prevent the government from entering into "sue and settle"  
34 agreements where the agency agrees to a certain outcome with a friendly litigant who brought  
35 the suit in order to help give the agency cover for regulating in a certain manner; and

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37         **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
38 contains provisions that will stop radical regulations from the Environmental Protection Agency  
39 regarding power generation, regulations that will harm our ability to make electricity and produce  
40 products within the United States; and

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42         **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
43 contains a provision preventing the United States Department of Labor from promulgating a  
44 regulation that will dramatically reduce the ability of individuals to obtain investment advice;  
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47         **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
48 contains a provision that will prevent the Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
49 (OSHA) from conducting workplace investigations while accompanied by third-party union  
50 organizers; and

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52         **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
53 contains a provision that will prevent the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) from  
54 enforcing a prounion "ambush election" regulation that shifts the playing field in the interest of

55 unions, making it difficult for employees to obtain information before a unionization election is  
56 held in their workplace; and

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58       **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
59 contains a provision that will prevent the NLRB from attacking the franchise model of business,  
60 a model that has served our country well and has helped countless citizens to become  
61 entrepreneurs; and

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63       **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
64 contains a provision to stop the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development  
65 regulations which condition billions of dollars in community block grants on rezoning  
66 neighborhoods along racial and income lines; and

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68       **WHEREAS**, H.R. 4371 - Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016,  
69 contains a provision that will rein in the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, providing for  
70 more accountability; and

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72       **WHEREAS**, the state of Missouri will benefit greatly if the provisions in Representative  
73 Buck's bill are enacted into law:

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75       **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the House of  
76 Representatives of the Ninety-eighth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, hereby urge  
77 each member of the Missouri Congressional delegation to cosponsor and support H.R. 4371 -  
78 Article I Consolidated Appropriations Amendments, 2016; and

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80       **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of  
81 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for each  
82 member of the Missouri Congressional delegation.

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