

1 Title: Amending the Rules of Procedure of the Judiciary Committee  
2 of the Senate to require certain nominees to submit  
3 certain tax information upon request of the committee.

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6 Resolved,

7 **SECTION 1. COMMITTEE**  
8 **CONSIDERATION OF NOMINEES.**

9 The Rules of Procedure of the Judiciary Committee of  
10 the Senate is amended by adding at the end the following:

11 “IX.”

12 “(a) In considering a nomination, the committee  
13 shall conduct an investigation or review of the nominee’s  
14 experience, qualifications, and suitability, to serve in the  
15 position to which he or she has been nominated. To aid in  
16 such investigation or review, each nominee may be  
17 required to submit a sworn detailed statement including  
18 biographical, financial, policy, and other information  
19 (including tax returns of the nominee) which the  
20 committee may request. Subject to subparagraph (b), the  
21 committee may specify which items are to be received on  
22 a confidential basis.”

23 “(b) As part of an investigation or review with respect  
24 to a cabinet-level nominee under subparagraph (a), the  
25 committee shall require that the nominee provide the  
26 committee with the individual tax returns of the nominee  
27 for the 3 years preceding the nomination. Such tax  
28 returns shall be considered as confidential, except that the  
29 Chairman and Ranking Member may jointly issue a  
30 public statement or report regarding any matters in the  
31 individual tax returns that reflect on the nominee’s fitness

1 for the office to which he or she was nominated.”.