

76TH CONGRESS
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S. RES. 224

[Report No. 1304]

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 1, 1940

Mr. GREEN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Interstate Commerce

MARCH 12 (legislative day, MARCH 4), 1940

Reported by Mr. WHEELER, with an amendment, and referred to the Committee to Audit and Control the Contingent Expenses of the Senate

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RESOLUTION

1 *Resolved*, That the Committee on Interstate Commerce
2 is authorized and directed to make a full and complete in-
3 vestigation of alleged instances of (1) interception, by means
4 of wire tapping or otherwise, of wire communications to or
5 from officials and employees of the Federal, State, and
6 local Governments, and (2) installation of dictographs or
7 similar devices for the purpose of listening to or recording
8 conversations participated in by such officials and employees.
9 The committee shall report to the Senate as soon as prac-
10 ticable the results of its investigation, together with its recom-

1 mendment for the enactment of any remedial legislation it
2 may deem necessary.

3 For the purposes of this resolution the committee, or
4 any duly authorized subcommittee thereof, is authorized to
5 hold such hearings, to sit and act at such times and places
6 during the sessions and recesses of the Senate in the Seventy-
7 sixth and succeeding Congresses, to employ and to call upon
8 the executive departments for clerical and other assistants,
9 to require by subpoena or otherwise the attendance of such
10 witnesses and the production of such correspondence, books,
11 papers, and documents, to administer such oaths, to take
12 such testimony, and to make such expenditures as it deems
13 advisable. The cost of stenographic services to report such
14 hearings shall not be in excess of 25 cents per hundred words.
15 The expenses of the committee, which shall not exceed
16 ~~\$15,000~~ \$25,000 shall be paid from the contingent fund of
17 the Senate upon vouchers approved by the chairman.

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Authorizing and directing an investigation of alleged wire tapping and installation of listening or recording devices.

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