A Resolution to Amend the Members’ Congressional Handbook and the Committees’ Congressional Handbook

Be it resolved, that the Committee adopt the following regulations amending the relevant portions of the regulations known collectively as the Members’ Congressional Handbook and the Committees’ Congressional Handbook, respectively:

Sec. 1

In the regulations collectively known as the Members’ Congressional Handbook within “Categories of Staff,” in the section titled “Interns” insert the following paragraph after the second paragraph:

“Upon a determination by the Committee on House Administration, and consistent with all existing rules, regulations, and provisions of law, paid interns are eligible to telework in the event of a disaster, pandemic, or other emergency, as part of an office’s continuity of operations plan, provided the educational plan of the internship is maintained, any work performed is incidental to said plan, and participation in the plan is certified by the employing office.

This eligibility shall apply to interns paid from the Members’ Representational Allowance and interns participating in the House Paid Internship Program.

All equipment issued to support telework must be returned to the employing Committee no later than thirty days from the end date of the internship and costs incurred to return such equipment are reimbursable.”

Sec. 2

In the regulations collectively known as the Committees’ Congressional Handbook within “Committee Staff, Consultants, and Detailees” in the section titled “Interns” insert the following paragraph after the third paragraph:

“Upon a determination by the Committee on House Administration, and consistent with all existing rules, regulations, and provisions of law, paid interns are eligible to telework in the event of a disaster, pandemic, or other emergency, as part of a Committee’s continuity of operations plan, provided
the educational plan of the internship is maintained, any work performed is incidental to said plan, and participation in the plan is certified by the employing Committee.

All equipment issued to support telework must be returned to the employing Committee no later than thirty days from the end date of the internship and costs incurred to return such equipment are reimbursable.”

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