

S.J. RES 68: ANOTHER DANGEROUS IRAN MEASURE

TOPLINE:

- *House Democrats are forcing another vote on yet another measure that seeks to tie the President's hands against Iran, an adversary that has been at war with America for four decades.*
- *Like the last several Iran measures that the House has voted on, this measure is intended to undermine President Trump and the action his Administration has taken to protect America's national security interests.*
- *[S. J. Res. 68](#) preemptively directs the President to terminate the use of U.S. forces for "hostilities" against Iran unless authorized by Congress through an explicit declaration of war or authorization for use of military force. This bill is unconstitutional, partisan, hurts our national security, and puts our troops at risk.*

KEY FACTS:

- This bill is a dangerous infringement on the President's Article II authority as Commander-in-Chief and Chief Executive.
 - President Trump reestablished deterrence with his successful strike against a ruthless Iranian terrorist—making war less, not more, likely.
- This measure will embolden Iran and endanger our troops.
 - It undermines the Administration's ongoing successful efforts at deterrence.
 - It creates ambiguity about when our troops may defend themselves—something our men and women in uniform should never have to question.
- This bill sends the wrong message about American resolve, both to our allies and our adversaries.
- The President must be able to act swiftly and decisively against our adversaries—but this legislation seeks to prevent him from doing so.
 - Iran has escalated its attacks against U.S. forces and diplomats in recent months, making executive flexibility all the more critical.
- After the U.S. strike against Qassem Soleimani in January, Speaker Pelosi rushed to vote on a similar measure intended to tie the President's hands. That legislation had no force of law and was just as unconstitutional and partisan as the one Democrats are forcing a vote on now.
- Successive bipartisan administrations have been granted the necessary flexibility to exercise their Article II constitutional authority and defend America. President Trump should be no different.

