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2D SESSION

H. R. 6016

To provide for a GAO investigation and audit of the operations of the fund created by BP to compensate persons affected by the Gulf oil spill.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 30, 2010

Mr. BRADY of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Audit the BP Fund
5 Act of 2010”.

6 **SEC. 2. INVESTIGATION AND AUDIT.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General shall
8 conduct an ongoing independent investigation and audit
9 of the operations of the fund created by BP to compensate
10 persons affected by the Gulf oil spill, as those operations

1 take place to determine their effectiveness, including the
2 timeliness of claim payments and the accuracy of those
3 operations in determining amounts of damages com-
4 pensated.

5 (b) USE OF SUBPOENA POWER.—The Comptroller
6 General may use any investigative powers, including those
7 of subpoena granted to the Comptroller General for the
8 purposes of other investigations and audits, to conduct
9 this investigation and audit.

10 (c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Each month during the
11 operations, and once after all those operations are com-
12 pleted, the Comptroller General shall report to Congress
13 on the effectiveness of those operations.

14 **SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

15 It is the sense of Congress that—

16 (1) BP should fully cooperate with the Comp-
17 troller General to assure that the BP relief fund is
18 accurately, expediently, and efficiently compensating
19 Gulf coast victims of the BP oil spill for their losses;
20 and

21 (2) the costs incurred by the Comptroller Gen-
22 eral to carry out responsibilities under this Act
23 should be reimbursed by BP.

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