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# IN THE MATTER OF REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL B. CRANE

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OF THE

# COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



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Mr. Stokes, from the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, submitted the following

#### REPORT

The Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, acting pursuant to House Resolution 518, 97 Congress, 2d session, and House Resolution 12, 98th Congress, 1st session, has conducted an investigation of allegations of improper or illegal sexual conduct by Members, officers, or employees of the House of Representatives. In the course of this investigation, the committee received evidence that in the spring of 1980 Representative Daniel B. Crane engaged in a sexual relationship with a 17-year-old female page employed by the House of Representatives.

Representative Crane has acknowledged under oath that he had sexual relations with the page. Both Representative Crane and the page have testified that the relationship was consensual and that no preferential treatment of any kind was offered or given to the page.

The committee finds that any sexual relationship between a Member of the House of Representatives and a congressional page represents a serious breach of the duty owed by the House and its individual Members to the young people who serve the House as pages. Such conduct brings discredit upon the House of Representatives, in violation of clause 1 of the Code of Official Conduct of the House.

The committee has therefore voted, 11 to 1, to recommend to the House that Representative Crane be reprimanded. The adoption of this report shall constitute such a reprimand.

Accordingly, the committee recommends that the House adopt a resolution in the following form.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION

Resolved, That the House of Representatives adopt the Report of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct dated July 14, 1983, In the Matter of Representative Daniel B. Crane.