

certainly the judiciary and the Supreme Court have been making legislative decisions that are really the prerogative of Congress. And I would certainly support any move to try to clarify just how much authority the Supreme Court has over the Congress and, likewise, how much authority the executive has over the Congress.

I think it has been the fault of Congress in the past, in many instances, that we have just let both the courts and the executive run over us.

Mr. TUCK. Yes. I certainly agree with you and I am a strong adherent to the view that it is in the highest public interest to have three separate, equal, and coordinate branches of the Government. It seems to me that the Supreme Court has usurped the powers that are delegated to the Congress, in many instances, and also some of the powers delegated to the executive.

Mr. WILSON. Well, this minor piece of legislation—and it is relatively minor—I think it could very well lead the way in indicating that the Congress goes around a Supreme Court decision and finds a means, legislatively, to achieve our end, and I think it is important that we do these things.

Mr. TUCK. Well we certainly thank you very much and we are delighted to have had the privilege of inviting you back to your old home, this fine meeting room here.

Mr. WILSON. Thank you.

Mr. TUCK. And the Committee on Un-American Activities is glad to have you. We hope that your new quarters are even better, if possible.

Mr. WILSON. No, I think this is a much better room than we have. Thank you.

Mr. TUCK. Now we have another distinguished Member of the House of Representatives, my neighbor and colleague, the Honorable David N. Henderson, of North Carolina.

You may proceed, Mr. Henderson.

STATEMENT OF HON. DAVID N. HENDERSON, A U.S. REPRESENTATIVE FROM NORTH CAROLINA

Mr. HENDERSON. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

It is a little strange to address you that way. We know you and love you as a Governor of our neighboring State of Virginia.

I appreciate the opportunity to appear here in support of H.R. 15626, Mr. Chairman, and have a very brief statement in support, if I may.

I want to make my position clear. My constituency in the Third Congressional District of North Carolina is not composed primarily of experts in the field of constitutional law. Nor is it composed of liberal law professors, politically appointed judges, or sophisticated theorists.

My constituents are ordinary, hard-working, taxpaying citizens who love their country, who support it against all enemies, both foreign and domestic, and who cannot understand why we cannot or should not prohibit by law a member of the Communist Party of the United States from being employed in work directly related to the military defense of our Nation.