

WASHINGTON – U.S. Rep. Jo Bonner, R-Alabama, voted with a majority of the House on Thursday to hold U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder in contempt of Congress for his failure to fully comply with House requests for documents relating to the Justice Department's 'Operation Fast and Furious.'

On Thursday the House passed criminal and civil contempt resolutions of Attorney General Holder.

"It is a sad commentary on the moral compass of the Obama administration that it would rather delay and obfuscate than comply with repeated legitimate Congressional requests for all information relating to its mishandling of a federal law enforcement operation which led to the 2010 death of U.S. Border Patrol agent Brian Terry," said Congressman Bonner.

"Today I voted to hold Attorney General Holder in contempt of Congress to send a clear signal to the White House and the Justice Department that no one is above the law. The president has also effectively endorsed his attorney general's contempt of Congress by exercising executive privilege over many of the documents associated with Operation Fast and Furious.

"Americans expect and demand their elected officials and their appointees conduct themselves in accordance with the law. Unfortunately, this administration has chosen to play fast and loose in providing details of its conduct of Operation Fast and Furious."

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