
PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 2028) MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 2029) MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; AND PROVIDING FOR PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PERIOD FROM MAY 4, 2015, THROUGH MAY 11, 2015

April 28, 2015.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

MR. WOODALL, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. __]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution ____, by a record vote of 8 to 2, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 2028, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016, and H.R. 2029, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016, under modified-open rules. The resolution provides one hour of general debate on each bill equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of each bill. The resolution waives points of order against provisions in each bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. The resolution provides that after general debate each bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule except that: 1) amendments shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent and shall not be subject to amendment; and 2) no pro forma

amendments shall be in order except that the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees may offer up to 10 pro forma amendments each at any point for the purpose of debate. The resolution authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The resolution provides one motion to recommit each bill with or without instructions.

Section 3 of the resolution provides that during consideration of H.R. 2028 and H.R. 2029, the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 27, as adopted by the House, shall have force and effect in the House as though Congress has adopted such concurrent resolution; and the allocations printed in this report shall be considered for all purposes in the House to be allocations under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

Section 4 of the resolution provides that on any legislative day during the period from May 4, 2015, through May 11, 2015: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time, within the limits of clause 4, section 5, article I of the Constitution, to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment.

Section 5 of the resolution provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 4.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

Although the resolution waives all points of order against consideration of H.R. 2028, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic in nature.

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of H.R. 2029 include a waiver of Section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act, prohibiting consideration of legislation within the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Budget unless referred to or reported by the Budget Committee.

The resolution includes a waiver of points of order against provisions in H.R. 2028 and H.R. 2029 for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI, which prohibits unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill. This waiver is necessary because each bill contains unauthorized appropriations and legislative provisions.

COMMITTEE VOTES

The results of each record vote on an amendment or motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and against, are printed below:

Rules Committee Record Vote No. 39

Motion by Mr. McGovern to strike the section of the rule which deems the provisions of H. Con. Res. 27, the Republican budget resolution, to have full force and effect. Defeated: 2-8

Majority Members	Vote	Minority Members	Vote
Ms. Foxx.....	Nay	Ms. Slaughter.....	
Mr. Cole.....		Mr. McGovern.....	Yea
Mr. Woodall.....	Nay	Mr. Hastings of Florida.....	Yea
Mr. Burgess.....	Nay	Mr. Polis.....	
Mr. Stivers.....	Nay		
Mr. Collins.....	Nay		
Mr. Byrne.....	Nay		
Mr. Newhouse.....	Nay		
Mr. Sessions, Chairman.....	Nay		

Rules Committee Record Vote No. 40

Motion by Ms. Foxx to report the rule. Adopted: 8-2

Majority Members	Vote	Minority Members	Vote
Ms. Foxx.....	Yea	Ms. Slaughter.....	
Mr. Cole.....		Mr. McGovern.....	Nay
Mr. Woodall.....	Yea	Mr. Hastings of Florida.....	Nay
Mr. Burgess.....	Yea	Mr. Polis.....	
Mr. Stivers.....	Yea		
Mr. Collins.....	Yea		
Mr. Byrne.....	Yea		
Mr. Newhouse.....	Yea		
Mr. Sessions, Chairman.....	Yea		

ALLOCATION OF SPENDING AUTHORITY TO
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
(in millions of dollars)

		<u>2016</u>
Base Discretionary Action:	BA	1,016,582
	OT	1,139,891
Global War on Terrorism:	BA	96,000
	OT	45,442
Current Law Mandatory:	BA	952,580
	OT	940,993