112th Congress 1st Session

H. Res. ____

H.R. 1938 - North American-Made Energy Security Act

- 1. Structured rule.
- 2. Provides one hour of general debate with 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources.
- 3. Waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.
- 4. Provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read.
- 5. Waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.
- 6. Makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question.
- 7. Waives all points of order against the amendments printed in report.
- 8. Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

RESOLUTION

Resolved. That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1938) to direct the President to expedite the consideration and approval of the construction and operation of the Keystone XL oil pipeline, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour, with 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill. The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived. No amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against such amendments are waived. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS PROPOSED TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	# Description	Debate Time
1. Welch (VT), Cohen (TN)	#11 Would add language to the findings section that states that the Keystone XL pipeline would run through the Ogallala Aquifer and explains the risk involved with this route.	(10 minutes)
2. Rush (IL)	#15 (LATE) Would strike paragraph 15 of the findings section.	(10 minutes)
3. Eshoo (CA)	#7 Would include a finding stating the PHMSA Administrator testified at a Congressional hearing and stated that the PHMSA had not done a study analyzing the risks associated with transporting diluted bitumen. Would also require PHMSA to complete a review of the risks associated with transporting diluted bitumen, and whether current pipeline regulations are sufficient.	(10 minutes)
4. Christensen (VI)	#1 (REVISED) Would include a finding stating that the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement estimates that the Keystone XL pipeline would increase carbon pollution associated with United States fuel use by up to 23,000,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide.	(10 minutes)
5. Cohen (TN)	#12 Would strike finding 16 and replaces it with language that outlines TransCanada's recent pipeline safety issues with the Keystone pipeline.	(10 minutes)
6. Murphy, Christopher (CT), Cohen (TN), Welch (VT)	#13 (LATE) Would add findings language noting that construction of the pipeline would permit a new source of oil exports to China and other nations.	(10 minutes)
7. Rush (IL)	#14 (LATE) Would extend the deadline for permit decision to 120 days after final environmental impact statement or until January 1, 2012.	(10 minutes)
8. Hanabusa	#3 Would require that a Presidential Permit approving the	(10 minutes)

(HI)	construction and operation of the Keystone XL pipeline will not be issued unless the Secretary of Energy in consultation with the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), certify that the applicant has calculated a worst-case oil spill scenario for the proposed pipeline; and has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Secretary and the PHMSA that the applicant possesses the capability and technology to respond immediately and effectively to such a worst-case scenario.
9. Johnson, Hank (GA)	#4 Would require a study on the health impacts of increased (10 minutes) air pollution in communities surrounding the refineries that will transport diluted bitumen through the proposed Keystone XL pipeline.
10. Jackson Lee (TX)	#6 Would add a sense of Congress that the United States must (10 minutes) decrease its dependence on oil from countries that are hostile to the interests of the United States of America and that Canada has long been a strong trading partner and increasing access to their energy resources will create jobs in the United States.
11. Kucinich (OH)	#9 Would require an analysis of the effect of the proposed (10 minutes) pipeline on manipulation of oil markets and increased gas prices for American consumers.