

110th Congress

2^d Session

H. RES. _____

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6599) making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 29, 2008

Ms. Castor, from the Committee on Rules, reported the following resolution which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

RESOLUTION

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6599) making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

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. 6599) making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, 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 except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. Points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI are waived. Notwithstanding clause 11 of rule XVIII, no amendment to the bill shall be in order except those printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII in a daily issue dated July 30, 2008, or earlier and except pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. Each amendment so printed may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or his designee and shall be considered as read. When the committee rises and reports the bill back to the House with a recommendation that the bill do pass, 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.

Sec. 2. During consideration in the House of H.R. 6599 pursuant to this resolution, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to such time as may be designated by the Speaker.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Rules Committee

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Ms. Castor, from the Committee on Rules

submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. _____]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution _____, by a non-record vote, 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 the bill (H.R. 6599), the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2009, under an open rule with a preprinting requirement. The resolution provides for one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The resolution waives points of order against provisions of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. The rule provides that no amendment to the bill shall be in order except those printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII by July 30 and except pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. Each amendment so printed may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or a designee and shall be considered as read. The resolution provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the resolution permits the Chair, during consideration of the bill in the House, to postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the bill (except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI) is prophylactic as the Committee is not aware of any such points of order. The waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an

appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill is included because the 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. 580

Date: July 29, 2008

Measure: H.R. 6599

Motion By: Mr. Dreier

Summary of Motion: To provide an open rule.

Results: Defeated 2-6

Vote by Member:

MCGOVERN	NAY
HASTINGS (FL)	
MATSUI	NAY
CARDOZA	
WELCH	NAY
CASTOR	NAY
ARCURI	NAY
SUTTON	
DREIER	YEA
DIAZ-BALART	
HASTINGS (WA)	YEA
SESSIONS	
SLAUGHTER	NAY