

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3755, THE
FISCAL YEAR 1997 DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIA-
TIONS BILL

JULY 9, 1996.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. GOSS, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 472]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 472, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 3755, the “Fiscal Year 1997 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill” under an open rule. The rule provides two hours of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The rule waives clause 2(1)(6) of rule XI (three-day availability of reports), clause 7 of rule XXI (three-day availability of printed hearings), and sections 302 (prohibiting consideration of legislation providing new entitlement authority in excess of a committee’s allocation) and 308 (requiring a CBO cost estimate in the committee report on legislation containing new entitlement spending, or budget authority, or a change in revenues) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 against the consideration of the bill.

The rule also waives clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions) and clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting reappropriations) against provisions in the bill.

The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote.

The resolution provides that a motion to rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted shall have precedence over a motion to amend, if offered by the Majority Leader or a designee after the reading of the final lines of the bill.

Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Record prior to their consideration will be given priority in recognition to offer their amendments if otherwise consistent with House rules. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.