

105TH CONGRESS  
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# H. RES. 123

Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to postpone final House action on legislative branch appropriations for any fiscal year until all other regular appropriations for that fiscal year are enacted into law.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 17, 1997

Mrs. MORELLA (for herself and Mr. DAVIS of Virginia) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

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## RESOLUTION

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1       *Resolved,*

2       **SECTION 1. POSTPONEMENT OF FINAL ACTION ON LEGIS-**  
3                               **LATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS.**

4           (a) CONFERENCE REPORTS.—Rule XXVIII of the  
5 Rules of the House of Representatives is amended by add-  
6 ing at the end the following new clause:

7           “7. (a) It shall not be in order to consider in the  
8 House any report of a committee of conference on any

1 bill or joint resolution that contains appropriations for the  
2 legislative branch for any period of a fiscal year, unless—

3 “(1) all regular appropriations for the fiscal  
4 year (other than for the legislative branch) have  
5 been enacted into law; or

6 “(2) the conference report also contains con-  
7 tinuing appropriations for the same period in lieu of  
8 all other regular appropriation bills for the fiscal  
9 year that have not been enacted into law.

10 “(b) It shall not be in order to consider in the House  
11 any resolution reported from the Committee on Rules pro-  
12 viding for the consideration of any report of a committee  
13 of conference that waives paragraph (a).”.

14 (b) SENATE AMENDMENTS.—Rule XX of the Rules  
15 of the House of Representatives is amended by adding at  
16 the end the following new clause:

17 “3. (a) It shall not be in order to consider in the  
18 House (with respect to any bill or joint resolution) any  
19 motion to agree to any amendment of the Senate, or any  
20 motion to agree to any amendment of the Senate with an  
21 amendment, that contains appropriations for the legisla-  
22 tive branch for any period of a fiscal year, unless—

23 “(1) all regular appropriations for the fiscal  
24 year (other than for the legislative branch) have  
25 been enacted into law; or

1           “(2) the bill or joint resolution, as proposed to  
2           be amended, also contains continuing appropriations  
3           for the same period in lieu of all other regular ap-  
4           propriation bills for the fiscal year that have not  
5           been enacted into law.

6           “(b) It shall not be in order to consider in the House  
7           any resolution reported from the Committee on Rules pro-  
8           viding for the consideration of any report of a committee  
9           of conference that waives paragraph (a).”.

10          (c) CONTINUING APPROPRIATION MEASURES.—Rule  
11          XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives is  
12          amended by adding at the end the following new clause:

13          “9. (a) It shall not be in order to consider in the  
14          House any bill or joint resolution that contains continuing  
15          appropriations for the legislative branch for any period of  
16          a fiscal year, unless—

17                 “(1) all regular appropriations for the fiscal  
18                 year (other than for the legislative branch) have  
19                 been enacted into law; or

20                 “(2) the bill or joint resolution also contains  
21                 continuing appropriations for the same period in lieu  
22                 of all other regular appropriation bills for the fiscal  
23                 year that have not been enacted into law.

24          “(b) It shall not be in order to consider in the House  
25          any resolution reported from the Committee on Rules pro-

- 1 viding for the consideration of any report of a committee
- 2 of conference that waives paragraph (a).”.

