

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2084, TRANSPORTATION
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR END-
ING SEPTEMBER 30, 2000

JUNE 22, 1999.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 218]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 218, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 2084, “Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2000,” under an open rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The rule waives clause 4(c) of rule XIII (requiring the three-day availability of printed hearings on a general appropriations bill) and section 401(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of legislation containing new contract authority not subject to appropriation) against consideration of the bill.

The rule waives clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill, except as otherwise specified in the rule. Clause 2 of rule XXI is also waived against the amendment printed in this report, which may be offered only by the Member designated and at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, and shall not be subject to amendment.

Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration will be given priority in recognition to offer their amendments if otherwise consistent with House rules. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole

may postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

The waiver of clause 4(c) of rule XIII is necessary because the Appropriations Committee hearings for H.R. 2084 have not been printed yet. The waiver of section 401(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 is necessary because the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Program provides authority "to pay such amounts and at such times as may be necessary" for obligations under section 511 and 513 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act. The provision was included at the request of the Administration because the government's financial obligations under the program are difficult to determine in advance and may require immediate expenditures of funds. The waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI against provisions in the bill is necessary because some provisions are legislative in nature and several provisions are unauthorized, including the Coast Guard, the FAA, the Federal Railroad Administration, and the Surface Transportation Board. Finally the waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI is necessary for the manager's amendment because the rescission of FY 99 contract authority is legislative in nature.

SUMARY OF AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER TO H.R. 2084, THE FY
2000 TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS BILL

Young (FL): Manager's amendment: rescinds \$300 million from FY 99 AIP contract authority.

1. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG OF FLORIDA OR A DESIGNEE.

Page 16, after line 8, insert the following:

GRANTS-IN-AID FOR AIRPORTS
(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)
(RESCISSION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

Of the unobligated balances authorized under section 48103 of title 49, United States Code, \$300,000,000 are rescinded.