

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 3159) TO MANDATE MINIMUM PERIODS OF REST AND RECUPERATION FOR UNITS AND MEMBERS OF THE REGULAR AND RESERVE COMPONENTS OF THE ARMED FORCES BETWEEN DEPLOYMENTS FOR OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM OR OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM

AUGUST 1, 2007.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mrs. SLAUGHTER, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 601]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 601, by a record vote of 7 to 2, 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 H.R. 3159, the “Ensuring Military Readiness Through Stability and Predictability Deployment Policy Act of 2007,” under a closed rule. The resolution provides for one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services.

The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The resolution provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Armed Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The resolution waives all points of order against provisions of the bill, as amended. The resolution provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the resolution permits the Chair, during consideration of the bill, to postpone further consideration of it to a time designated by the Speaker.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the bill (except for those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI) includes a waiver of clause 4(a) of rule XIII (regarding availability of committee reports). The Committee is not aware of any points of order

against provisions in the bill. In that regard, the waiver of all points of order against the bill is prophylactic in nature.

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. 282

Date: August 1, 2007.

Measure: H.R. 3159.

Motion by: Mr. Dreier.

Summary of motion: To grant an open rule.

Results: Defeated 2–6.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 283

Date: August 1, 2007.

Measure: H.R. 3159.

Motion by: Mr. Dreier.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment by Rep. Wolf (VA) #8, calling on the President to develop a comprehensive plan to implement the recommendations of the Iraq Study Group, while respecting the sovereignty of United States allies in the region.

Results: Defeated 2–6.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 284

Date: August 1, 2007.

Measure: H.R. 3159.

Motion by: Mr. Sessions.

Summary of motion: To grant a modified open rule.

Results: Defeated 2–6.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 285

Date: August 1, 2007.

Measure: H.R. 3159.

Motion by: Mr. Sessions.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment by Rep. Castle (DE) #3, stating that under the current Pentagon policies, all members of the Armed Forces, including those serving in the Guard and Reserve, receive 2.5 days of leave time per month—regardless of whether they are deployed in a combat zone or back in the United States at their home base. This amendment would credit soldiers one additional day of leave time for every month that they are deployed in a combat zone.

Results: Defeated 2-7.
Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay;
Cardoza—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—
Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 286

Date: August 1, 2007.
Measure: H.R. 3159.
Motion by: Mr. McGovern.
Summary of motion: To report the rule.
Results: Adopted 7-2.
Vote by Members: McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea;
Cardoza—Yea; Castor—Yea; Arcuri—Yea; Sutton—Yea; Dreier—
Nay; Sessions—Nay; Slaughter—Yea.