

115TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. RES. 728

Amending rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate to limit debate  
on motions to proceed.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 13, 2018

Mr. MERKLEY submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the  
Committee on Rules and Administration

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## RESOLUTION

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1       *Resolved,*

2       **SECTION 1. LIMITING DEBATE ON MOTIONS TO PROCEED**

3                       **UNDER RULE XXII.**

4       Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate is  
5 amended by—

6               (1) redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as  
7 paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively; and

8               (2) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-  
9 lowing:

1           “2. Other than a motion made during the first  
2           2 hours of a new legislative day, as described in  
3           paragraph 2 of rule VIII, consideration of a motion  
4           to proceed to the consideration of any debatable  
5           matter, including consideration of any debatable mo-  
6           tion or appeal in connection therewith, shall be lim-  
7           ited to not more than 2 hours, to be divided equally  
8           between the majority and the minority. This para-  
9           graph shall not apply to motions considered non-  
10          debatable by the Senate pursuant to rule or prece-  
11          dent.”.

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