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IN THE MATTER OF REPRESENTATIVE JAMES A. TRAFICANT, JR.—Continued

Mr. DELAHUNT changed his vote from “no” to “aye.”

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will notify the Governor of the State of Ohio of the action of the House.

### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. HEFLEY. Mr. Speaker, due to the significance of these proceedings and the desire of many Members to express their views on these grave and somber proceedings, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks for the RECORD.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Colorado?

There was no objection.

### INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 497 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 497

*Resolved*, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4628) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the

Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence now printed in the bill. The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived. No amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII and except pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. Each amendment so printed may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or his designee and shall be considered as read. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ISAKSON). The gentleman from Florida is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, for purposes of the debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the distinguished gentleman from Florida (Mr. HASTINGS), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all

time yielded is for the purposes of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, this is the standard rule that we have used for many years on the intelligence authorization. As far as I know, it is not controversial in any way. As in past years, we have thought it best to allow Members good opportunity to review the bill and debate the issues they feel are important to our Nation's security. Of course, that is particularly appropriate now. Therefore, as has been the tradition, the rule is a modified open rule, providing for 1 hour of general debate, equally divided between the chairman and ranking member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

The rule further provides for the consideration of only pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate and those amendments printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD prior to their consideration, as we heard in the Clerk's reading. This has allowed for vetting of amendments regarding classified matters in years past and has proved to be good practice.

Finally, this rule provides for a motion to recommit with or without instruction. So I think it is a very clear, fair rule that suits the purpose well.

Mr. Speaker, just one year ago we met to consider this bill in the wake of the tragic terrorist attacks and rallied support for our intelligence community and national security initiatives. Our country has come a long way since then, but there is still a lot more that needs to be done. This year's intelligence authorization bill contains the most significant investment by the administration for the intelligence community in more than 8 years. This is an important bill. These funds allow the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to continue the work that we have been promoting to address many of the longstanding shortfalls that have besieged our intelligence community throughout the 1990s.

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