

287, no further amendment to the bill may be offered except:

Pro forma amendments offered at any point in the reading by the chairman or ranking minority member on the Committee on Appropriations or their designees for the purpose of debate;

Amendments printed in the RECORD and numbered 3, 6, 8, 11, 13, and 17;

Amendments printed in the RECORD and numbered 1, 4, 5, and 14, which shall be debatable for 20 minutes;

An amendment by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. HASTINGS) regarding environmental justice, which shall be debatable for 20 minutes;

An amendment by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. OBEY) regarding a \$500 million increase in Clean Water State Revolving Fund and tax matters;

An amendment by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. OBEY) regarding a \$100 million increase in Clean Water State Revolving Fund, which shall be debatable for 20 minutes;

An amendment by the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. GILLMOR) regarding State and Tribal Assistance Grants;

An amendment by the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. CHABOT) or the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. ANDREWS) regarding the Tongass National Forest, which shall be debatable for 20 minutes;

An amendment by the gentleman from California (Mr. POMBO) regarding making spending on certain accounts subject to authorization;

An amendment by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. SOLIS) regarding intentional dosing;

An amendment by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. OBEY) to amendment No. 5;

An amendment by the gentleman from California (Mr. COSTA) regarding concession sales;

An amendment by the gentleman from California (Mr. DOOLITTLE) or the gentleman from California (Mr. THOMPSON) regarding Lower Klamath and Tule Lake; and

An amendment by the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. TAYLOR) regarding funding levels.

Each such amendment may be offered only by the Member named in this request or a designee, or the Member who caused it to be printed in the RECORD or a designee, shall be considered as read, shall not be subject to amendment, except as specified, and except that the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations and the Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies each may offer one pro forma amendment for the purpose of debate; and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

Except as otherwise specified, each amendment shall be debatable for 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled by the proponent and opponent. An amendment shall be considered to

fit the description stated in this request if it addresses in whole or in part the object described.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

Mr. OBEY. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I am trying to stall for time while we clear up a controversy that has arisen.

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I certainly am in support of the intention of the gentleman's request, but it is my understanding that there may be a problem with one of the amendments. I am hoping that by the time I am done filibustering here the gentleman's staff will have worked it out with the Parliamentarian and we will be able to proceed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. TERRY). The Chair will inquire of the gentleman from North Carolina, does the request include a possible modified form of amendment No. 1?

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Yes, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. OBEY. Mr. Speaker, with that understanding, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Ms. Wanoa Evans, one of his secretaries.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2006

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 287 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 2361.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2361) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes, with Mr. SHIMKUS (Acting Chairman) in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. When the Committee of the Whole rose earlier today, the bill had been read through page 53, line 17.

Pursuant to the order of the House of today, no further amendment to the bill may be offered except:

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The Clerk will read.
The Clerk read as follows:
Sec. 105. No funds provided in this title may be expended by the Department of the Interior to conduct offshore oil and natural