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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
MAY 21, 2003

Mrs. MYRICK, from the Committee on Rules, reported the following resolution; which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

RESOLUTION
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1 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 further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1588) to authorize appro-
appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2004, and for other purposes. No further amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution and amendments en bloc described in section 2. Each amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered only in the order printed in the report (except as specified in section 3), may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. Each amendment printed in the report shall be debatable for 10 minutes (unless otherwise specified in the report) equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent and shall not be subject to amendment (except that the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services each may offer one pro forma amendment for the purpose of further debate on any pending amendment). All points of order against amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules or amendments en bloc described in section 2 are waived.
SEC. 2. It shall be in order at any time for the chair-
man of the Committee on Armed Services or his designee
to offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments
printed in the report of the Committee on Rules not earlier
disposed of or germane modifications of any such amend-
ment. Amendments en bloc offered pursuant to this sec-
tion shall be considered as read (except that modifications
shall be reported), shall be debatable for 20 minutes equal-
ly divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking mi-
ority member of the Committee on Armed Services or
their designees, shall not be subject to amendment, and
shall not be subject to a demand for division of the ques-
tion in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. For
the purpose of inclusion in such amendments en bloc, an
amendment printed in the form of a motion to strike may
be modified to the form of a germane perfecting amend-
ment to the text originally proposed to be stricken. The
original proponent of an amendment included in such
amendments en bloc may insert a statement in the Con-
gressional Record immediately before the disposition of
the amendments en bloc.

SEC. 3. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole
may recognize for consideration of any amendment printed
in the report of the Committee on Rules out of the order
printed, but not sooner than one hour after the chairman
of the Committee on Armed Services or a designee an-
nounces from the floor a request to that effect.

SEC. 4. 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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