

House Calendar No. 19

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 180

[Report No. 115–29]

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 720) to amend Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to improve attorney accountability, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 985) to amend the procedures used in Federal court class actions and multidistrict litigation proceedings to assure fairer, more efficient outcomes for claimants and defendants, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 8, 2017

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, from the Committee on Rules, reported the following resolution; which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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1 *Resolved*, That at any time after adoption of this reso-
2 lution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule
3 XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of
4 the Whole House on the state of the Union for consider-
5 ation of the bill (H.R. 720) to amend Rule 11 of the Fed-
6 eral Rules of Civil Procedure to improve attorney account-
7 ability, and for other purposes. The first reading of the
8 bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against
9 consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall
10 be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equal-
11 ly divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minor-
12 ity member of the Committee on the Judiciary. After gen-
13 eral debate the bill shall be considered for amendment
14 under the five-minute rule. The bill shall be considered
15 as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill
16 are waived. No amendment to the bill shall be in order
17 except those printed in part A of the report of the Com-
18 mittee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each such
19 amendment may be offered only in the order printed in
20 the report, may be offered only by a Member designated
21 in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debat-
22 able for the time specified in the report equally divided
23 and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall
24 not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to
25 a demand for division of the question in the House or in

1 the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against
2 such amendments are waived. At the conclusion of consid-
3 eration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise
4 and report the bill to the House with such amendments
5 as may have been adopted. The previous question shall
6 be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments
7 thereto to final passage without intervening motion except
8 one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

9 SEC. 2. At any time after adoption of this resolution
10 the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII,
11 declare the House resolved into the Committee of the
12 Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration
13 of the bill (H.R. 985) to amend the procedures used in
14 Federal court class actions and multidistrict litigation pro-
15 ceedings to assure fairer, more efficient outcomes for
16 claimants and defendants, and for other purposes. The
17 first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points
18 of order against consideration of the bill are waived. Gen-
19 eral debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not ex-
20 ceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair
21 and ranking minority member of the Committee on the
22 Judiciary. After general debate the bill shall be considered
23 for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in
24 order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of
25 amendment under the five-minute rule an amendment in

1 the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules
2 Committee Print 115-5. That amendment in the nature
3 of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points of
4 order against that amendment in the nature of a sub-
5 stitute are waived. No amendment to that amendment in
6 the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those
7 printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules
8 accompanying this resolution. Each such amendment may
9 be offered only in the order printed in the report, may
10 be offered only by a Member designated in the report,
11 shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time
12 specified in the report equally divided and controlled by
13 the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to
14 amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for divi-
15 sion of the question in the House or in the Committee
16 of the Whole. All points of order against such amendments
17 are waived. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill
18 for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the
19 bill to the House with such amendments as may have been
20 adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the
21 House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of
22 the Whole to the bill or to the amendment in the nature
23 of a substitute made in order as original text. The previous
24 question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and
25 amendments thereto to final passage without intervening

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