

## House Calendar No. 21

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. RES. 198

[Report No. 115–39]

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1259) to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the removal or demotion of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs based on performance or misconduct, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1367) to improve the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to hire and retain physicians and other employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1181) to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the conditions under which certain persons may be treated as adjudicated mentally incompetent for certain purposes.

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 15, 2017

Mr. BUCK, 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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## RESOLUTION

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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. 1259) to amend title 38, United  
6 States Code, to provide for the removal or demotion of  
7 employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs based  
8 on performance or misconduct, and for other purposes.  
9 The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All  
10 points of order against consideration of the bill are waived.  
11 General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not  
12 exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair  
13 and ranking minority member of the Committee on Vet-  
14 erans' Affairs. After general debate the bill shall be con-  
15 sidered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall  
16 be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose  
17 of amendment under the five-minute rule an amendment  
18 in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules  
19 Committee Print 115-7. That amendment in the nature  
20 of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points of

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

1        SEC. 2. At any time after adoption of this resolution  
2 the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII,  
3 declare the House resolved into the Committee of the  
4 Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration  
5 of the bill (H.R. 1367) to improve the authority of the  
6 Secretary of Veterans Affairs to hire and retain physicians  
7 and other employees of the Department of Veterans Af-  
8 fairs, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill  
9 shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consid-  
10 eration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be con-  
11 fined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally di-  
12 vided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority  
13 member of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. After gen-  
14 eral debate the bill shall be considered for amendment  
15 under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider  
16 as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under  
17 the five-minute rule an amendment in the nature of a sub-  
18 stitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print  
19 115-6. That amendment in the nature of a substitute shall  
20 be considered as read. All points of order against that  
21 amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived. No  
22 amendment to that amendment in the nature of a sub-  
23 stitute shall be in order except those printed in part B  
24 of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying  
25 this resolution. Each such amendment may be offered only

1 in the order printed in the report, may be offered only  
2 by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered  
3 as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the  
4 report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and  
5 an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall  
6 not be subject to a demand for division of the question  
7 in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points  
8 of order against such amendments are waived. At the con-  
9 clusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the  
10 Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with  
11 such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member  
12 may demand a separate vote in the House on any amend-  
13 ment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill  
14 or to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made  
15 in order as original text. The previous question shall be  
16 considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto  
17 to final passage without intervening motion except one  
18 motion to recommit with or without instructions.

19       SEC. 3. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be  
20 in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 1181)  
21 to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the condi-  
22 tions under which certain persons may be treated as adju-  
23 dicated mentally incompetent for certain purposes. All  
24 points of order against consideration of the bill are waived.  
25 The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order

1 against provisions in the bill are waived. The previous  
2 question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and on  
3 any amendment thereto to final passage without inter-  
4 vening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally di-  
5 vided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority  
6 member of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs; and (2)  
7 one motion to recommit.



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