

House Calendar No. 79

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 500

[Report No. 115–295]

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

Mr. COLE, 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. 3354) making appropriations for
6 the Department of the Interior, environment, and related
7 agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018,
8 and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall
9 be dispensed with. All points of order against consider-
10 ation of the bill are waived. General debate shall be con-
11 fined to the bill and shall not exceed two hours equally
12 divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority
13 member of the Committee on Appropriations. After gen-
14 eral debate the bill shall be considered for amendment
15 under the five-minute rule. An amendment in the nature
16 of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee
17 Print 115-31, modified by Rules Committee Print 115-32
18 and the amendment printed in part A of the report of the
19 Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution, shall
20 be considered as adopted in the House and in the Com-
21 mittee of the Whole. The bill, as amended, shall be consid-
22 ered as the original bill for the purpose of further amend-
23 ment under the five-minute rule and shall be considered
24 as read. Points of order against provisions in the bill, as
25 amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 or clause 5(a)

1 of rule XXI are waived except as follows: beginning with
2 the colon on page 327, line 22, through "crime" on page
3 328, line 2; beginning with the semicolon on page 535,
4 line 12, through "(12 U.S.C. 3907(b)(2))." on page 536,
5 line 14; and section 7080. Where points of order are
6 waived against part of a section, points of order against
7 a provision in another part of such section may be made
8 only against such provision and not against the entire sec-
9 tion.

10 SEC. 2. (a) No further amendment to the bill shall
11 be in order except those printed in part B of the report
12 of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution,
13 amendments en bloc described in section 3 of this resolu-
14 tion, and pro forma amendments described in section 4
15 of this resolution.

16 (b) Each further amendment printed in part B of the
17 report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered only
18 in the order printed in the report, may be offered only
19 by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered
20 as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the
21 report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and
22 an opponent, may be withdrawn by the proponent at any
23 time before action thereon, shall not be subject to amend-
24 ment except as provided by section 4 of this resolution,

1 and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the
2 question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

3 (c) All points of order against further amendments
4 printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules
5 or against amendments en bloc described in section 3 of
6 this resolution are waived.

7 SEC. 3. It shall be in order at any time for the chair
8 of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee to
9 offer amendments en bloc consisting of further amend-
10 ments printed in part B of the report of the Committee
11 on Rules accompanying this resolution not earlier disposed
12 of. Amendments en bloc offered pursuant to this section
13 shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 min-
14 utes equally divided and controlled by the chair and rank-
15 ing minority member of the Committee on Appropriations
16 or their respective designees, shall not be subject to
17 amendment except as provided by section 4 of this resolu-
18 tion, and shall not be subject to a demand for division
19 of the question in the House or in the Committee of the
20 Whole.

21 SEC. 4. During consideration of the bill for amend-
22 ment, the chair and ranking minority member of the Com-
23 mittee on Appropriations or their respective designees may
24 offer up to 20 pro forma amendments each at any point
25 for the purpose of debate.

1 SEC. 5. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill
2 for amendment pursuant to this resolution, the Committee
3 of the Whole shall rise without motion. No further consid-
4 eration of the bill shall be in order except pursuant to a
5 subsequent order of the House.

6 SEC. 6. (a) During consideration of H.R. 3354, it
7 shall not be in order to consider an amendment proposing
8 both a decrease in an appropriation designated pursuant
9 to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and
10 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 and an increase
11 in an appropriation not so designated, or vice versa.

12 (b) This paragraph shall not apply to an amendment
13 between the Houses.

14 SEC. 7. It shall be in order at any time through the
15 legislative day of September 9, 2017, for the Speaker to
16 entertain motions that the House suspend the rules as
17 though under clause 1 of rule XV. The Speaker or his
18 designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or her des-
19 ignee on the designation of any matter for consideration
20 pursuant to this section.

21 SEC. 8. The requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII
22 for a two-thirds vote to consider a report from the Com-
23 mittee on Rules on the same day it is presented to the
24 House is waived with respect to any resolution reported
25 through the legislative day of September 9, 2017.

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