

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3081, THE
WAGE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH ACT OF 1999, AND H.R.
3846, A BILL TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM WAGE

MARCH 8, 2000.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. SESSIONS, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 434]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 434, by a record vote of 7 to 3, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 3081, the Wage and Economic Growth Act of 1999 and H.R. 3846, a Bill to Increase the Minimum Wage. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 3081 in the House under a closed rule without intervention of any point of order. The rule provides that the bill be considered as read and that, in lieu of the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill, the text of H.R. 3832 shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides two hours of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means, and then provides one motion to recommit H.R. 3081, with or without instructions.

The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 3846 in the House under a modified closed rule. The bill will be considered as read and the rule provides for one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule provides for the consideration of the amendments printed in this report, which shall be in order without intervention of any point of order, except those arising under section 425 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of legislation containing certain unfunded mandates). The amendments printed in this report

shall only be offered by the Member designated in this report, shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for the time specified in this report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule also provides one motion to recommit H.R. 3846, with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that in the engrossment of H.R. 3081, the clerk shall add the text of H.R. 3846, as passed by the House, as a new matter at the end of H.R. 3081, after which H.R. 3846 shall be laid on the table.

COMMITTEE VOTES

Pursuant to clause 3(b) of House Rule XIII the results of each record vote on an amendment or motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and against, are printed below:

Rules Committee record vote No. 68

Date: March 8, 2000.

Measure: H.R. 3081, the Wage and Employment Growth Act of 1999 and H.R. 3846, a Bill to Increase the Minimum Wage.

Motion by: Mr. Moakley.

Summary of motion: Substitute rule to make in order to H.R. 3846 the substitute amendment offered by Reps. Bonior, Rangel, Sandlin, and Phelps and to make in order to H.R. 3081 the substitute amendment offered by Reps. Bonior, Rangel, Sandlin and Phelps. Both substitute amendments should be given the appropriate waivers.

Results: Defeated 3 to 7.

Vote by Members: Goss—Nay; Linder—Nay; Pryce—Nay; Diaz-Balart—Nay; Hastings—Nay; Sessions—Nay; Moakley—Yea; Frost—Yea; Slaughter—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 69

Date: March 8, 2000.

Measure: H.R. 3081, the Wage and Employment Growth Act of 1999 and H.R. 3846, a Bill to Increase the Minimum Wage.

Motion by: Mr. Goss.

Summary of motion: To report the rule.

Results: Adopted 7 to 3.

Vote by Members: Goss—Yea; Linder—Yea; Pryce—Yea; Diaz-Balart—Yea; Hastings—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Moakley—Nay; Frost—Nay; Slaughter—Nay; Dreier—Yea.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER UNDER THE RULE

Castle: Strikes section 5, which allows states to “opt-out” of the proposed \$1 federal minimum wage increase. (30 minutes)

Trafficant/Martinez: Increases the federal minimum wage by \$1 over two year. (30 minutes)

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER UNDER THE RULE

1. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CASTLE OF DELAWARE, OR A DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 30 MINUTES

Strike section 5.

2. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAFICANT OF OHIO, OR REPRESENTATIVE MARTINEZ OF CALIFORNIA, OR A DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 30 MINUTES

Amend section 1 to read as follows:

SECTION. 1. MINIMUM WAGE.

Section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206(a)(1)) is amended to read as follows:

“(1) except as otherwise provided in this section, not less than—

“(A) \$5.15 an hour beginning September 1, 1997,

“(B) \$5.65 an hour during the year beginning April 1, 2000, and

“(C) \$6.15 an hour beginning April 1, 2001;”.