

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3709, THE
INTERNET NONDISCRIMINATION ACT

MAY 9, 2000.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 496]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 496, by a nonrecord vote, 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. 3709, the Internet Nondiscrimination Act, under a modified open rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary.

The rule waives clause 4(a) of rule XIII (requiring a three-day layover of the committee report) against consideration of the bill. The waiver is necessary because the report was filed on Monday, May 8, and the bill may be considered on the floor as early as Wednesday, May 10. The rule makes in order the Committee on the Judiciary amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, which shall be open for amendment at any point. The rule provides that the amendment process shall not exceed 2 hours.

Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration will be given priority in recognition to offer their amendments if otherwise consistent with House rules. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote

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follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

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