Providing for Consideration of the Bill (H.R. 2918) Making Appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2010, and for Other Purposes

June 18, 2009.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 559]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 559, 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 consideration of H.R. 2918, the “Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2010”, under a structured rule. The resolution provides for one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The resolution provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. The resolution makes in order the amendment printed in this report, if offered by Representative McCarthy of New York or her designee, which shall be in order without intervention of any point of order except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI, shall be considered as read, shall be separately debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The resolution provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The resolution also provides that it shall be in order, any rule of the House to the contrary notwithstanding, to consider concurrent resolutions providing for the adjournment of the House and Senate during the month of July.
EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

Although the rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill (except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI) the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic. The waiver of all points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) is included because the bill contains unauthorized appropriations and legislative provisions.

COMMITTEE VOTES

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. 125
Date: June 18, 2009.
Measure: H.R. 2918.
Motion by: Mr. Dreier.
Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment by Rep. Boehner (OH), #20, would require that none of the funds made available in this Act may be used to make purchases on the Chicago Climate Exchange.
Results: Defeated 1–7.
Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Polis—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 126
Date: June 18, 2009.
Measure: H.R. 2918.
Motion by: Mr. Dreier.
Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment by Rep. Broun (GA), #7, would eliminate funding for the Wheels for Wellness Program, would reduce funding for House Salaries and Expenses by $100,000, and would reduce funding for House Allowances and Expenses by $100,000.
Results: Defeated 1–7.
Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Polis—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 127
Date: June 18, 2009.
Measure: H.R. 2918.
Motion by: Mr. Dreier.
Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment by Rep. Gingrey (GA), #5, would prohibit funds from being used to carry out the activities of a labor organization.
Results: Defeated 1–7.
Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Polis—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.
Rules Committee record vote No. 128

Date: June 18, 2009.
Measure: H.R. 2918.
Motion by: Mr. Dreier.
Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment by Rep. King (IA), #13, would decrease the Capitol Visitors Center appropriations by $2 million and increases the salaries and expenses of standing committees by $2 million.

Results: Defeated 1–7.
Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Polis—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 129

Date: June 18, 2009.
Measure: H.R. 2918.
Motion by: Mr. Dreier.
Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an en bloc amendment consisting of amendments, to be separately debatable for 10 minutes each, by Rep. Blackburn (TN), #1, would reduce spending in the bill by 5 percent across-the-board; and the amendment by Rep. Jordan (OH), #2, would reduce spending in the bill by 16.6 percent across-the-board; and the amendment by Rep. Price (GA), #3, would reduce spending in the bill by 1 percent across-the-board; and the amendment by Rep. Broun (GA), #6, would reduce spending in the bill by 0.5 percent across-the-board; and the amendment by Rep. Stearns (FL), #16, would reduce spending in the bill by 8.82 percent across-the-board.

Results: Defeated 1–7.
Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Polis—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(Summaries derived from information provided by sponsors.)

1. McCarthy, Carolyn (NY): Would require that $250,000 of the funds appropriated to the Library of Congress be allocated for the Civil Rights Oral History Project. (10 minutes)

TEXT OF AMENDMENT MADE IN ORDER

In the item relating to “Library of Congress, Salaries and Expenses”, strike the period at the end and insert the following: “Provided further, That of the amount made available under this heading, $250,000 shall be used to carry out activities under the Civil Rights History Project Act of 2009.”.