

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 3079)
TO IMPLEMENT THE UNITED STATES-PANAMA TRADE
PROMOTION AGREEMENT

OCTOBER 11, 2011.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 425]

The explanation of waivers contained in H. Rept. 112-240, part 1 regarding H.R. 3079, a bill to implement the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement, indicated that the waiver of all points of order against the bill and provisions in the bill was prophylactic in nature.

Subsequent to filing its report, the Committee was made aware of a violation of clause 10 of rule XXI because the bill reduces foreign receipts by \$5 million over the period of 2012 through 2016, and these reductions in receipts are scored as increases in direct spending. While the bill fails to comply with clause 10 of rule XXI over the five year period, it would have the net effect of decreasing direct spending by \$8 million over the ten year period of 2012 through 2021. The Committee is filing this supplemental report to indicate that the waiver of all points of order in the rule includes a waiver of clause 10 of rule XXI against consideration of the bill.

It is important to note that the measure being considered in the House originated with the Administration and is being considered under section 151 of the Trade Act of 1974. Under those procedures, amendments—even to address violations of House rules—are not permitted. Accordingly, the Committee would have granted the waiver had it been aware of its necessity at the time of reporting.

