

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 2745) TO AMEND THE CLAYTON ACT AND THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION SHALL EXERCISE AUTHORITY WITH RESPECT TO MERGERS ONLY UNDER THE CLAYTON ACT AND ONLY IN THE SAME PROCEDURAL MANNER AS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL EXERCISES SUCH AUTHORITY, AND PROVIDING FOR PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PERIOD FROM MARCH 24, 2016, THROUGH APRIL 11, 2016

MARCH 21, 2016.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 653]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 653, by a record vote of 6 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 consideration of H.R. 2745, the Standard Merger and Acquisition Reviews Through Equal Rules Act of 2015, under a closed rule. The resolution provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The resolution provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The resolution waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The resolution provides one motion to recommit.

Section 2 of the resolution provides that on any legislative day during the period from March 24, 2016, through April 11, 2016: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment.

Section 3 of the resolution provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 2 of the resolution as though under clause 8(a) of rule I.

Section 4 of the resolution provides that each day during the period addressed by section 2 of the resolution shall not constitute a

calendar day for the purposes of section 7 of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1546).

Section 5 of the resolution provides that the Committee on Energy and Commerce may, at any time before 4 p.m. on Thursday, March 31, 2016, file a report to accompany H.R. 2666.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of H.R. 2745 includes a waiver of clause 3(e)(1) of rule XIII (“Ramseyer”), requiring a committee report accompanying a bill amending or repealing statutes to show, by typographical device, parts of statute affected. The waiver is provided because the submission provided by the Committee on the Judiciary was insufficient to meet the standards established by the rule in its current form. The Committee on Rules continues to work with the House Office of Legislative Counsel and committees to determine the steps necessary to comply with the updated rule.

Although the resolution waives all points of order against provisions in H.R. 2745, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic in nature.

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. 159

Motion by Ms. Slaughter to report an open rule. Defeated: 3–6

Majority Members	Vote	Minority Members	Vote
Ms. Foxx	Nay	Ms. Slaughter	Yea
Mr. Cole	Nay	Mr. McGovern	
Mr. Woodall	Nay	Mr. Hastings of Florida	Yea
Mr. Burgess		Mr. Polis	Yea
Mr. Stivers			
Mr. Collins	Nay		
Mr. Byrne			
Mr. Newhouse	Nay		
Mr. Sessions, Chairman	Nay		

Rules Committee record vote No. 160

Motion by Ms. Foxx to report the rule. Adopted: 6–3

Majority Members	Vote	Minority Members	Vote
Ms. Foxx	Yea	Ms. Slaughter	Nay
Mr. Cole	Yea	Mr. McGovern	
Mr. Woodall	Yea	Mr. Hastings of Florida	Nay
Mr. Burgess		Mr. Polis	Nay
Mr. Stivers			
Mr. Collins	Yea		
Mr. Byrne			
Mr. Newhouse	Yea		
Mr. Sessions, Chairman	Yea		