Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 50) to provide for additional safeguards with respect to imposing federal mandates, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3281) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the transfer to non-federal ownership of appropriate reclamation projects or facilities, and for other purposes

July 10, 2018.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 985]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 985, 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. 50, the Unfunded Mandates Information and Transparency Act of 2017, under a structured rule. The resolution provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The resolution provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The resolution waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The resolution makes in order only those further amendments printed in this report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in this report, may be offered only by a Member designated in this report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in this report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The resolution waives all points of order against the amendments printed in this
report. The resolution provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Section 2 of the resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 3281, the Reclamation Title Transfer and Non-Federal Infrastructure Incentivization Act, 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 Natural Resources. 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.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

Although the resolution waives all points of order against consideration of H.R. 50, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic in nature.

Although the resolution waives all points of order against provisions in H.R. 50, as amended, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic in nature.

Although the resolution waives all points of order against the amendments to H.R. 50 printed in this report, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic in nature.

Although the resolution waives all points of order against consideration of H.R. 3281, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic in nature.

Although the resolution waives all points of order against provisions in H.R. 3281, 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. 255

Motion by Mr. McGovern to make in order and provide the appropriate waivers to amendment #8 to H.R. 50, offered by Rep. Raskin (MD), which expands the category of impacted parties beyond the private sector to include representatives of other affected parties. Defeated: 3–6

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Rules Committee record vote No. 256

Motion by Mr. Woodall to report the rule. Adopted: 6–3
Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote
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Mr. Cole | .................... | Mr. McGovern | .................... | Nay
Mr. Woodall | .................... | Mr. Hastings of Florida | .................... | Nay
Mr. Burgess | .................... | Mr. Polis | .................... | Nay
Mr. Collins | .................... | Mrs. Torres | .................... | Nay
Mr. Byrne | .................... | .................... | .................... | Yea
Mr. Newhouse | .................... | .................... | .................... | Yea
Mr. Buck | .................... | .................... | .................... | Yea
Ms. Cheney | .................... | .................... | .................... | Yea
Mr. Sessions, Chairman | .................... | .................... | .................... | Yea

SUMMARY OF THE AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 50 MADE IN ORDER

1. Watson Coleman (NJ): Strikes Section 5, which repeals the exclusion of independent agencies from reporting requirements. (10 minutes)

2. Raskin (MD), Foxx (NC): Requires a record of any consultation with any non-Federal party and any comments submitted by any non-Federal party to be posted on the agency website within five days after the consultation or date of submission. (10 minutes)

3. Vargas (CA): Strikes section 11 from the bill. (10 minutes)

4. Connolly (VA): Provides for a sunset of amendments made to the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and the Congressional Budget Act if GDP growth fails to increase at average annual rate of five percent or more. (10 minutes)

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 50 MADE IN ORDER

1. **AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE WATSON COLEMAN OF NEW JERSEY OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES**

   Strike section 5.

2. **AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE RASKIN OF MARYLAND OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES**

   Page 14, after line 4, insert the following new paragraph:
   
   “(4) A record of any consultation with any non-Federal party during the development of regulatory proposals containing a significant Federal mandate shall be posted on the website of the agency within five days after the consultation. Any comments submitted by a non-Federal party shall be posted on the website of the agency within five days after the date of submission to the agency.

   Page 14, line 5, strike “(4)” and insert “(5)”.

   Page 14, line 15, strike “(5)” and insert “(6)”.

   Page 14, line 17, strike “(6)” and insert “(7)”.

3. **AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE VARGAS OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES**

   Strike section 11.
4. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CONNOLLY OF VIRGINIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 19, after line 7, insert the following new section:

SEC. 15. SUNSET OF UNFUNDED MANDATES REFORM ACT AND CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT AMENDMENTS IF GDP GROWTH FAILS TO INCREASE AT AVERAGE ANNUAL RATE OF 5 PERCENT OR MORE.

If the real gross domestic product of the United States fails to increase at an average annual rate of 5 percent or more for the first 4 calendar quarters occurring after the date of the enactment of this Act, as released by the Bureau of Economic Analysis of the Department of Commerce, then the amendments made by this Act to the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-4; 2 U.S.C. 1511 et seq.) and the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 602 et seq.) are repealed.