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H. RES. 123

Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to postpone final House action on legislative branch appropriations for any fiscal year until all other regular appropriations for that fiscal year are enacted into law.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 17, 1997

Mrs. MORELLA (for herself and Mr. DAVIS of Virginia) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved,*

2 **SECTION 1. POSTPONEMENT OF FINAL ACTION ON LEGIS-**
3 **LATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS.**

4 (a) CONFERENCE REPORTS.—Rule XXVIII of the
5 Rules of the House of Representatives is amended by add-
6 ing at the end the following new clause:

7 “7. (a) It shall not be in order to consider in the
8 House any report of a committee of conference on any

1 bill or joint resolution that contains appropriations for the
2 legislative branch for any period of a fiscal year, unless—

3 “(1) all regular appropriations for the fiscal
4 year (other than for the legislative branch) have
5 been enacted into law; or

6 “(2) the conference report also contains con-
7 tinuing appropriations for the same period in lieu of
8 all other regular appropriation bills for the fiscal
9 year that have not been enacted into law.

10 “(b) It shall not be in order to consider in the House
11 any resolution reported from the Committee on Rules pro-
12 viding for the consideration of any report of a committee
13 of conference that waives paragraph (a).”.

14 (b) SENATE AMENDMENTS.—Rule XX of the Rules
15 of the House of Representatives is amended by adding at
16 the end the following new clause:

17 “3. (a) It shall not be in order to consider in the
18 House (with respect to any bill or joint resolution) any
19 motion to agree to any amendment of the Senate, or any
20 motion to agree to any amendment of the Senate with an
21 amendment, that contains appropriations for the legisla-
22 tive branch for any period of a fiscal year, unless—

23 “(1) all regular appropriations for the fiscal
24 year (other than for the legislative branch) have
25 been enacted into law; or

1 “(2) the bill or joint resolution, as proposed to
2 be amended, also contains continuing appropriations
3 for the same period in lieu of all other regular ap-
4 propriation bills for the fiscal year that have not
5 been enacted into law.

6 “(b) It shall not be in order to consider in the House
7 any resolution reported from the Committee on Rules pro-
8 viding for the consideration of any report of a committee
9 of conference that waives paragraph (a).”.

10 (c) CONTINUING APPROPRIATION MEASURES.—Rule
11 XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives is
12 amended by adding at the end the following new clause:

13 “9. (a) It shall not be in order to consider in the
14 House any bill or joint resolution that contains continuing
15 appropriations for the legislative branch for any period of
16 a fiscal year, unless—

17 “(1) all regular appropriations for the fiscal
18 year (other than for the legislative branch) have
19 been enacted into law; or

20 “(2) the bill or joint resolution also contains
21 continuing appropriations for the same period in lieu
22 of all other regular appropriation bills for the fiscal
23 year that have not been enacted into law.

24 “(b) It shall not be in order to consider in the House
25 any resolution reported from the Committee on Rules pro-

- 1 viding for the consideration of any report of a committee
- 2 of conference that waives paragraph (a).”.

