

H. Res. 256

In the House of Representatives, U.S.,

October 1, 1997.

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 1(b) of rule XXIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1127) to amend the Antiquities Act to require an Act of Congress and the concurrence of the Governor and State legislature for the establishment by the President of national monuments in excess of 5,000 acres. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. General debate shall be confined to the bill and the amendments made in order by this resolution and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Resources now printed in the bill. The commit-

tee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. No amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the 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 Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may: (1) postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed question that follows another electronic vote without intervening business, provided that the minimum time for electronic voting on the first in any series of questions shall be fifteen minutes. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the na-

ture of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SEC. 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of this resolution, it shall be in order to consider the amendment specified in section 3 of this resolution as though it were amendment numbered 6 in House Report 105–283. That amendment may be offered only by Representative Hansen of Utah or his designee and shall be debatable for 10 minutes.

SEC. 3. The amendment described in section 2 of this resolution is as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “National Monument Fairness Act of 1997”.

SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF NATIONAL MONUMENT STATUS AND CONSULTATION.

Section 2 of the Act of June 8, 1906, commonly referred to as the “Antiquities Act” (34 Stat. 225; 16 U.S.C. 431) is amended by adding the following at the end thereof: “A proclamation of the President under this section that results in the designation of a total acreage in excess of 50,000 acres in a single State in a single calendar year as a national monument may not be issued until 30 days after the Presi-

dent has transmitted the proposed proclamation to the Governor of the State in which such acreage is located and solicited such Governor's written comments, and any such proclamation shall cease to be effective on the date 2 years after issuance unless the Congress has approved such proclamation by joint resolution.”.

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to amend the Antiquities Act regarding the establishment by the President of certain national monuments.”.

Attest:

Clerk.