

105TH CONGRESS
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H. RES. 272

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1366) amending the Federal Elections Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for election for Federal office, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 21, 1997

Mr. BAESLER (for himself, Mr. TURNER, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. CONDIT, and Mr. STENHOLM) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1366) amending the Federal Elections Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for election for Federal office, and for other purposes.

1 *Resolved*, That immediately upon the adoption of this
2 resolution the Speaker shall, pursuant to clause 1(b) of
3 rule XXIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee
4 of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the con-
5 sideration of the bill (H.R. 1366) amending the Federal
6 Elections Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing
7 of campaigns for election for Federal office, and for other
8 purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed

1 with, and all points of order against the bill and its consid-
2 eration are hereby waived. After general debate, which
3 shall be confined to the bill and any amendments made
4 in order under this resolution, and which shall not exceed
5 two hours, equally divided between Mr. Thomas of Califor-
6 nia and Mr. Gejdenson of Connecticut, the bill shall be
7 considered as having been read for amendment under the
8 five-minute rule.

9 SEC. 2. Immediately following general debate, it shall
10 be in order for the House to consider those amendments
11 designated in section 3 of this resolution. Each amend-
12 ment may be offered only in the order designated, may
13 be offered only by the named proponent or a designee, may
14 be considered notwithstanding the adoption of a previous
15 amendment in the nature of a substitute, shall be consid-
16 ered as read, shall be debatable for one hour equally di-
17 vided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent,
18 and shall not be subject to amendment. If more than one
19 amendment is adopted, then only the one receiving the
20 greatest number of affirmative votes shall be considered
21 as finally adopted. In the case of a tie for the greater num-
22 ber of affirmative votes, then only the last amendment to
23 receive that number of affirmative votes shall be consid-
24 ered as finally adopted. No further amendments shall be
25 in order to the bill except amendments which are printed

1 in the Congressional Record at least one day prior to the
2 adoption of this resolution. All points of order against any
3 such amendment meeting these criteria are hereby waived,
4 except those arising under clause 7 of rule XVI. No
5 amendment to any amendment shall be in order. No
6 amendment shall be subject to a demand for the division
7 of the question in the House or in the Committee of the
8 Whole. Debate on any amendment to the bill shall not ex-
9 ceed sixty minutes. Debate time on amendments to the
10 bill (not including debate on amendments designated in
11 section 3) shall not exceed ten hours, and it shall not be
12 in order to consider any motion which has the effect of
13 limiting the total debate time on amendments to less than
14 ten hours. The previous question shall be considered to
15 be ordered on the bill and any amendment thereto to final
16 passage without intervening motion except one motion to
17 recommit, with or without instructions. At the conclusion
18 of consideration of the bill for amendment, the Committee
19 shall rise and report the bill back to the House with such
20 amendments as may have been finally adopted, and the
21 previous question shall be considered as ordered on the
22 bill and such amendment thereto, to final passage without
23 intervening motion except one motion to recommit, with
24 or without instructions.

1 SEC. 3. The further amendments that may be offered
2 following general debate are:

3 (a) an amendment in the nature of a substitute
4 by, and if offered by, Representative Baesler of Ken-
5 tucky, or his designee. This amendment will be de-
6 batable for no longer than sixty minutes to be equal-
7 ly divided and controlled by the proponent, and a
8 Member opposed to the amendment;

9 (b) an amendment in the nature of a substitute
10 by, and if offered by, Representative Farr of Califor-
11 nia, or his designee. This amendment will be debat-
12 able for no longer than sixty minutes to be equally
13 divided and controlled by the proponent and a Mem-
14 ber opposed to the amendment;

15 (c) an amendment in the nature of a substitute
16 by, and if offered by, Representative Doolittle of
17 California, or his designee. This amendment will be
18 debatable for no longer than sixty minutes to be
19 equally divided and controlled by the proponent, and
20 a Member opposed to the amendment;

21 (d) an amendment in the nature of a substitute
22 by, and if offered by, Representative Gephardt of
23 Missouri, or his designee. This amendment will be
24 debatable for no longer than sixty minutes to be

1 equally divided and controlled by the proponent and
2 a Member opposed to the amendment;

3 (e) an amendment in the nature of a substitute
4 by, and if offered by, Representative Arney of
5 Texas, or his designee. This amendment will be de-
6 batable for no longer than sixty minutes to be equal-
7 ly divided and controlled by the proponent and a
8 Member opposed to the amendment;

9 (f) an amendment in the nature of a substitute
10 by, and if offered by, Representative Hutchinson of
11 Arkansas, or his designee. This amendment will be
12 debatable for no longer than sixty minutes to be
13 equally divided and controlled by the proponent and
14 a Member opposed to the amendment;

15 (g) an amendment in the nature of a substitute
16 by, and if offered by, Representative Shays of Con-
17 necticut, or his designee. This amendment will be
18 debatable for no longer than sixty minutes to be
19 equally divided and controlled by the proponent and
20 a Member opposed to the amendment;

21 (h) an amendment in the nature of a substitute
22 by, and if offered by, Representative White of Wash-
23 ington, or his designee. This amendment will be de-
24 batable for no longer than sixty minutes to be equal-

1 ly divided and controlled by the proponent and a
2 Member opposed to the amendment; and

3 (i) an amendment in the nature of a substitute
4 by any Member which shall be the text of any bill
5 as adopted by the Senate which meets the require-
6 ments of clause 7 of rule XVI. This amendment will
7 be debatable for no longer than sixty minutes to be
8 equally divided and controlled by the Member pro-
9 posing the amendment, or a designee, and a Member
10 opposed to the amendment.

11 SEC. 4. If the Committee rises on any day without
12 coming to a final resolution on the bill, the House shall,
13 on the next legislative day, following House approval of
14 the Journal, immediately resolve itself into the Committee
15 of the Whole on the state of the Union for the further
16 consideration of the bill. The bill shall be a matter of the
17 highest privilege of the House and shall take precedence
18 over any other motion, business, or order of the House,
19 and the House shall proceed with consideration of the bill
20 in accordance with the provisions of this resolution to final
21 passage, without the intervention of any other motion,
22 order, or business.

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