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To establish procedures for the expedited consideration by Congress of the recommendations set forth in the Cuts, Consolidations, and Savings report prepared by the Office of Management and Budget.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PETERS of Michigan (for himself, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. CARNEY, and Mr. POLIS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To establish procedures for the expedited consideration by Congress of the recommendations set forth in the Cuts, Consolidations, and Savings report prepared by the Office of Management and Budget.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Expedited Consider-
5 ation of Cuts, Consolidations, and Savings Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION OF CUTS, CONSOLIDA-**
2 **TIONS, AND SAVINGS PREPARED BY THE OF-**
3 **FICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part B of title X of the Congres-
5 sional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2
6 U.S.C. 681 et seq.) is amended by redesignating sections
7 1013 through 1017 as sections 1014 through 1018, re-
8 spectively, and inserting after section 1012 the following
9 new section:

10 “CUTS, CONSOLIDATIONS, AND SAVINGS PREPARED BY
11 THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

12 “SEC. 1013. (a) IN GENERAL.—The President may
13 propose, at the time and in the manner provided in sub-
14 section (b), the carrying out of all or part of the rec-
15 ommendations contained in the most recent Cuts, Consoli-
16 dations, and Savings prepared by the Office of Manage-
17 ment and Budget.

18 “(b) TRANSMITTAL OF SPECIAL MESSAGE.—Not
19 later than 120 days after the publication of any Cuts, Con-
20 solidations, and Savings prepared by the Office of Man-
21 agement and Budget, the President may transmit to Con-
22 gress a special message to carry out all or part of the rec-
23 ommendations contained in that Cuts, Consolidations, and
24 Savings. The President shall include with that special mes-
25 sage a draft bill or joint resolution that would carry out
26 his recommendations.

1 “(c) PROCEDURES FOR EXPEDITED CONSIDER-
2 TION.—

3 “(1)(A) Before the close of the second day of
4 continuous session of the applicable House after the
5 date of receipt of a special message transmitted to
6 Congress under subsection (b), the majority leader
7 or minority leader of the House of Congress in
8 which the Act involved originated shall introduce (by
9 request) the draft bill or joint resolution accom-
10 panying that special message. If the bill or joint res-
11 olution is not introduced as provided in the pre-
12 ceding sentence, then, on the third day of continuous
13 session of that House after the date of receipt of
14 that special message, any Member of that House
15 may introduce the bill or joint resolution.

16 “(B) The bill or joint resolution shall be re-
17 ferred to the committee or committees with subject
18 matter jurisdiction over that measure. The com-
19 mittee or committees shall report the bill or joint
20 resolution without substantive revision and with or
21 without recommendation. The bill or joint resolution
22 shall be reported not later than the seventh day of
23 continuous session of that House after the date of
24 receipt of that special message. If a committee fails
25 to report the bill or joint resolution within that pe-

1 riod, that committee shall be automatically dis-
2 charged from consideration of the bill or joint reso-
3 lution, and the bill or joint resolution shall be placed
4 on the appropriate calendar.

5 “(C) A vote on final passage of the bill or joint
6 resolution shall be taken in that House on or before
7 the close of the 10th calendar day of continuous ses-
8 sion of that House after the date of the introduction
9 of the bill or joint resolution in that House. If the
10 bill or joint resolution is agreed to, the Clerk of the
11 House of Representatives (in the case of a bill or
12 joint resolution agreed to in the House of Represent-
13 atives) or the Secretary of the Senate (in the case
14 of a bill or joint resolution agreed to in the Senate)
15 shall cause the bill or joint resolution to be en-
16 grossed, certified, and transmitted to the other
17 House of Congress on the same calendar day on
18 which the bill or joint resolution is agreed to.

19 “(2)(A) A bill or joint resolution transmitted to
20 the House of Representatives or the Senate pursu-
21 ant to paragraph (1)(C) shall be referred to the
22 committee or committees of jurisdiction of that
23 House. The committee or committees shall report
24 the bill or joint resolution without substantive revi-
25 sion and with or without recommendation. The bill

1 or joint resolution shall be reported not later than
2 the seventh day of continuous session of that House
3 after it receives the bill or joint resolution. A com-
4 mittee failing to report the bill or joint resolution
5 within such period shall be automatically discharged
6 from consideration of the bill or joint resolution, and
7 the bill or joint resolution shall be placed upon the
8 appropriate calendar.

9 “(B) A vote on final passage of a bill or joint
10 resolution transmitted to that House shall be taken
11 on or before the close of the 10th calendar day of
12 continuous session of that House after the date on
13 which the bill or joint resolution is transmitted. If
14 the bill or joint resolution is agreed to in that
15 House, the Clerk of the House of Representatives
16 (in the case of a bill or joint resolution agreed to in
17 the House of Representatives) or the Secretary of
18 the Senate (in the case of a bill or joint resolution
19 agreed to in the Senate) shall cause the engrossed
20 bill or joint resolution to be returned to the House
21 in which the bill or joint resolution originated.

22 “(3)(A) A motion in the House of Representa-
23 tives to proceed to the consideration of a bill or joint
24 resolution under this section shall be highly privi-
25 leged and not debatable. An amendment to the mo-

1 tion shall not be in order, nor shall it be in order
2 to move to reconsider the vote by which the motion
3 is agreed to or disagreed to.

4 “(B) Debate in the House of Representatives
5 on a bill or joint resolution under this section shall
6 not exceed 4 hours, which shall be divided equally
7 between those favoring and those opposing the bill
8 or joint resolution. A motion further to limit debate
9 shall not be debatable. It shall not be in order to
10 move to recommit a bill or joint resolution under
11 this section or to move to reconsider the vote by
12 which the bill or joint resolution is agreed to or dis-
13 agreed to.

14 “(C) Appeals from decisions of the Chair relat-
15 ing to the application of the Rules of the House of
16 Representatives to the procedure relating to a bill or
17 joint resolution under this section shall be decided
18 without debate.

19 “(D) Except to the extent specifically provided
20 in the preceding provisions of this subsection, con-
21 sideration of a bill or joint resolution under this sec-
22 tion shall be governed by the Rules of the House of
23 Representatives.

24 “(4)(A) A motion in the Senate to proceed to
25 the consideration of a bill or joint resolution under

1 this section shall be privileged and not debatable. An
2 amendment to the motion shall not be in order, nor
3 shall it be in order to move to reconsider the vote
4 by which the motion is agreed to or disagreed to.

5 “(B) Debate in the Senate on a bill or joint res-
6 olution under this section, and all debatable motions
7 and appeals in connection therewith, shall not exceed
8 10 hours. The time shall be equally divided between,
9 and controlled by, the majority leader and the mi-
10 nority leader or their designees.

11 “(C) Debate in the Senate on any debatable
12 motion or appeal in connection with a bill or joint
13 resolution under this section shall be limited to not
14 more than 1 hour, to be equally divided between,
15 and controlled by, the mover and the manager of the
16 bill or joint resolution, except that in the event the
17 manager of the bill or joint resolution is in favor of
18 any such motion or appeal, the time in opposition
19 thereto, shall be controlled by the minority leader or
20 his designee. Such leaders, or either of them, may,
21 from time under their control on the passage of a
22 bill or joint resolution, allot additional time to any
23 Senator during the consideration of any debatable
24 motion or appeal.

1 “(D) A motion in the Senate to further limit
2 debate on a bill or joint resolution under this section
3 is not debatable. A motion to recommit a bill or joint
4 resolution under this section is not in order.

5 “(d) AMENDMENTS PROHIBITED.—No amendment
6 to a bill or joint resolution considered under this section
7 shall be in order in either the House of Representatives
8 or the Senate. No motion to suspend the application of
9 this subsection shall be in order in either House, nor shall
10 it be in order in either House to suspend the application
11 of this subsection by unanimous consent.

12 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section
13 continuity of a session of either House of Congress shall
14 be considered as broken only by an adjournment of that
15 House sine die, and the days on which that House is not
16 in session because of an adjournment of more than 3 days
17 to a date certain shall be excluded in the computation of
18 any period.”.

19 (b) EXERCISE OF RULEMAKING POWERS.—Section
20 904 of such Act (2 U.S.C. 621 note) is amended—

21 (1) by striking “and 1017” in subsection (a)
22 and inserting “1013, and 1018”; and

23 (2) by striking “section 1017” in subsection (d)
24 and inserting “sections 1013 and 1018”.

25 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

1 (1) Section 1011 of such Act (2 U.S.C. 682(5))
2 is amended—

3 (A) in paragraph (4), by striking “1013”
4 and inserting “1014”; and

5 (B) in paragraph (5)—

6 (i) by striking “1016” and inserting
7 “1017”; and

8 (ii) by striking “1017(b)(1)” and in-
9 serting “1018(b)(1)”.

10 (2) Section 1015 of such Act (2 U.S.C. 685)
11 (as redesignated by subsection (a)) is amended—

12 (A) by striking “1012 or 1013” each place
13 it appears and inserting “1012, 1013, or
14 1014”;

15 (B) in subsection (b)(1), by striking
16 “1012” and inserting “1012 or 1013”;

17 (C) in subsection (b)(2), by striking
18 “1013” and inserting “1014”; and

19 (D) in subsection (e)(2)—

20 (i) by striking “and” at the end of
21 subparagraph (A);

22 (ii) by redesignating subparagraph
23 (B) as subparagraph (C);

1 (iii) by striking “1013” in subpara-
 2 graph (C) (as so redesignated) and insert-
 3 ing “1014”; and

4 (iv) by inserting after subparagraph
 5 (A) the following new subparagraph:

6 “(B) he has transmitted a special message
 7 under section 1013 with respect to a proposed
 8 rescission; and”.

9 (d) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—The table of sections
 10 for subpart B of title X of such Act is amended—

11 (1) by redesignating the items relating to sec-
 12 tions 1013 through 1017 as items relating to sec-
 13 tions 1014 through 1018; and

14 (2) by inserting after the item relating to sec-
 15 tion 1012 the following new item:

“Sec. 1013. Expedited consideration of certain proposed rescissions.”.

16 **SEC. 3. TERMINATION.**

17 The authority provided by section 1013 of the Con-
 18 gressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974
 19 (as added by section 2) shall terminate effective on the
 20 date in 2018 on which the Congress adjourns sine die.

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