

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2799, DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE, JUSTICE, AND STATE, THE JUDICIARY, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2004

JULY 21, 2003.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. LINDER, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 326]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 326, by a nonrecord vote, 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. 2799, the Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2004, under an open rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.

Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record.

Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the bill includes a waiver of clause 4(c) of rule XIII (requiring a three-day availability of printed hearings on a general appropriation bill). The waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) is nec-

essary because there are numerous legislative provisions included in the bill.

COMMITTEE VOTES

Pursuant to clause 3(b) of House rule XIII 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. 174

Date: July 21, 2003.

Measure: H.R. 2799, Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004.

Motion by: Mr. Frost.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide the appropriate waivers for the amendment offered by Rep. Frost expressing the Sense of Congress that the Department of Justice should implement guidelines ensuring that its resources and personnel will not be used for partisan purposes.

Results: Defeated 4 to 6.

Vote by Members: Goss—Nay; Linder—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Myrick—Nay; Reynolds—Nay; Frost—Yea; Slaughter—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hasting (FL)—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 175

Date: July 21, 2003.

Measure: H.R. 2799, Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004.

Motion by: Mr. Frost.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide the appropriate waivers for the amendment offered by Rep. Jackson-Lee, which prohibits the Department of Justice from destroying any records related to members of the Texas legislature between the dates of May 11th and May 16th.

Results: Defeated 4 to 6.

Vote by Members: Goss—Nay; Linder—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Myrick—Nay; Reynolds—Nay; Frost—Yea; Slaughter—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 176

Date: July 21, 2003.

Measure: H.R. 2799, Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004.

Motion by: Mrs. Slaughter.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide the appropriate waivers for the amendment offered by Rep. Hinchey to prevent the FCC from implementing its new cross-ownership and local TV multiple ownership rules during FY04. In their place, the amendment would keep in place the rules that existed prior to the FCC's June 2 ruling.

Results: Defeated 3 to 7.

Vote by Members: Goss—Nay; Linder—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Myrick—Nay; Reynolds—Nay; Frost—Nay; Slaughter—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 177

Date: July 21, 2003.

Measure: H.R. 2799, Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004.

Motion by: Mr. McGovern.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide the appropriate waivers for the amendment offered by Rep. Obey to provide \$1 billion for state and local first responders through a 5.6% reduction in tax cut for those with an income over \$1 million per year.

Results: Defeated 4 to 6.

Vote by Members: Goss—Nay; Linder—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Myrick—Nay; Reynolds—Nay; Frost—Yea; Slaughter—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

