

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2859, EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR DISASTER RELIEF ACT, 2003

JULY 25 (legislative day, JULY 24), 2003.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 339]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 339, 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 the consideration of H.R. 2859, the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act, 2003, under a modified closed rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The rule provides for consideration of the amendment printed in the Congressional Record, if offered by Representative Toomey or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for twenty minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment.

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

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. 194

Date: July 24, 2003.

Measure: H.R. 2859—Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act, 2003.

Motion by: Mr. Frost.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide the appropriate waivers for the amendment offered by Representative Obey which adds \$100,000,000 for Americorps. Also requires Inspector General to perform random audits.

Results: Defeated 4 to 9.

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

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT MADE IN ORDER UNDER THE RULE

Toomey: Directs the President to make a pro-rata reduction in unobligated Fiscal Year 2003 discretionary funds to achieve savings of \$983.6 million, thus fully offsetting the Supplemental. Defense programs, programs within the Department of Homeland Security, and programs within the Department of Veterans Affairs are specifically excluded from reduction. Finally, in the event that the President determines that the reduction in Fiscal Year 2003 for any particular program is excessive, he is authorized to make the reduction out of Fiscal Year 2004 funds for that account. (20 minutes)