

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4850, DISTRICT
OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2005

JULY 19, 2004.—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. 724]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 724, 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. 4850, the District of Columbia Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2005, 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(a) of rule XIII (requiring a three-day layover of the committee report), because the report (H. Rept. 108-610) did not become available until July 19, 2004 and the bill may be considered by the House as early as July 20, 2004. The waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or

legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) is needed because there are numerous legislative provisions included in the bill.

