

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE RESOLUTION (H. RES. 202) PROVIDING FOR THE EXPENSES OF CERTAIN COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH CONGRESS

MARCH 7, 2007.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mrs. SLAUGHTER, from the Committee on Rules
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 219]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 219, by a record vote of 9 to 3, 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. Res. 202 providing for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Tenth Congress, under a closed rule providing one hour of general debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on House Administration. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on House Administration now printed in the resolution, as amended by the amendment printed in this report, shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the resolution and provides that the resolution as amended shall be considered as read. The rule provides one motion to recommit which may not contain instructions.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The Committee is not aware of any points of order against consideration of the resolution. The waivers of all points of order against consideration are prophylactic in nature.

COMMITTEE VOTES

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. 57

Date: March 7, 2007.

Measure: H. Res. 202.

Motion by: Mr. Dreier.

Summary of motion: To require that the select committee conduct its activities in a carbon neutral manner and make certifications of that fact to the Clerk of the House once per quarter.

Results: Defeated 3–9.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 58

Date: March 7, 2007.

Measure: H. Res. 202.

Motion by: Mr. Hastings (WA).

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment by Reps. Hastings (WA) and Jones, Stephanie Tubbs (OH), #2, to increase funding for the Committee on Standards on Official Conduct to the requested level of \$6,119,301 in order to fund professional staff to improve the quality of advice, authorize detailees from the Government Accountability Office to help process public disclosure documents, increase ethics education and training for Members and staff, and enhance the communication of new ethics rules.

Results: Defeated 3–9.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 59

Date: March 7, 2007.

Measure: H. Res. 202.

Motion by: Mr. Sessions.

Summary of motion: To require that the select committee report to the House on the benefits of clean coal technologies, including coal to liquid technologies, and identify major technical obstacles to the deployment of clean coal technologies.

Results: Defeated 3–9.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 60

Date: March 7, 2007.

Measure: H. Res. 202.

Motion by: Mr. Sessions.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment by Rep. King, Steve (IA), #3, to require that, in order to receive funding under this resolution, the Committee on Rules must print its recorded votes in its committee reports.

Results: Defeated 3–9.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 61

Date: March 7, 2007.

Measure: H. Res. 202.

Motion by: Mr. Dreier.

Summary of motion: To allow the motion to recommit to contain instructions.

Results: Defeated 3–9.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 62

Date: March 7, 2007.

Measure: H. Res. 202.

Motion by: Mr. McGovern.

Summary of motion: To report the rule.

Results: Adopted 9–3.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Matsui—Yea; Cardoza—Yea; Welch—Yea; Castor—Yea; Arcuri—Yea; Sutton—Yea; Dreier—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Sessions—Nay; Slaughter—Yea.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED

The amendment creates a new select committee in the House on Energy Independence and Global Warming.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED

Redesignate sections 4 and 5 as sections 5 and 6, respectively, and after section 3 insert the following new section:

SEC. 4. CREATION OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENERGY INDEPENDENCE AND GLOBAL WARMING.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established a Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming (hereinafter in this section referred to as the “select committee”).

(b) COMPOSITION.—The select committee shall be composed of 15 members appointed by the Speaker, of whom 6 shall be appointed on the recommendation of the Minority Leader. The Speaker shall designate one member of the select committee as its chairman. A vacancy in the membership of the select committee shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

(c) JURISDICTION.—The select committee shall not have legislative jurisdiction and shall have no authority to take legislative action on any bill or resolution. Its sole authority shall be to investigate, study, make findings, and develop recommendations on policies, strategies, technologies and other innovations, intended to reduce the dependence of the United States on foreign sources of energy and achieve substantial and permanent reductions in emis-

sions and other activities that contribute to climate change and global warming.

(d) PROCEDURE.—(1) Except as specified in paragraph (2), the select committee shall have the authorities and responsibilities of, and shall be subject to the same limitations and restrictions as, a standing committee of the House, and shall be deemed a committee of the House for all purposes of law or rule.

(2)(A) Rules X and XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives shall apply to the select committee where not inconsistent with this resolution.

(B) Service on the select committee shall not count against the limitations in clause 5(b)(2) of rule X.

(e) FUNDING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—There shall be paid out of the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives not more than \$3,725,467 for the expenses (including the expenses of all staff salaries) of the select committee.

(2) LIMITATIONS.—Of the amount provided for in paragraph (1) for the select committee—

(A) not more than \$1,666,667 shall be available for expenses incurred during the period beginning at noon on March 1, 2007, and ending immediately before noon on January 3, 2008; and

(B) not more than \$2,058,800 shall be available for expenses incurred during the period beginning at noon on January 3, 2008, and ending immediately before midnight on January 1, 2009.

(f) REPORTING.—The select committee may report to the House from time to time the results of its investigations and studies, together with such detailed findings and recommendations as it may deem advisable. All such reports shall be submitted to the House by October 31, 2008.

(g) DISSOLUTION AND WINDUP OF AFFAIRS.—The select committee shall cease to exist on December 31, 2008.

(h) DISPOSITION OF RECORDS.— Upon dissolution of the select committee, its records shall become records of such standing committee or committees as the Speaker may designate.