PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 3093) MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE AND JUSTICE, AND SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2008, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

JULY 23, 2007.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 562]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 562, by a vote of 9 to 0, 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. 3093, the "Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008," under an open rule. The resolution provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The resolution provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The resolution waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition on the basis of whether the Member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the Congressional Record. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. The resolution provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The resolution permits the Chair, during consideration of the bill in the House, to postpone further consideration of it to a time designated by the Speaker. Finally, the resolution permits the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations to file, on behalf of the Committee, a supplemental report to accompany H.R. 3093.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the bill (except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI) includes a waiver of: clause 4(c) of rule XIII (requiring a three-day layover of a committee report) and section 401 of the Congressional Budget Act (regarding new entitlement authority for the Federal Prison System).

The waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill is included because the bill contains unauthorized appropriations and legislative provisions.

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. 248

Date: July 23, 2007. Measure: H.R. 3093. Motion by: Mr. McGovern.

Summary of motion: To grant an open rule.

Results: Adopted 9-0.

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

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