

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 1011) TO DESIGNATE ADDITIONAL NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LANDS IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA AS WILDERNESS OR A WILDERNESS STUDY AREA, TO DESIGNATE THE KIMBERLING CREEK POTENTIAL WILDERNESS AREA FOR EVENTUAL INCORPORATION IN THE KIMBERLING CREEK WILDERNESS, TO ESTABLISH THE SENG MOUNTAIN AND BEAR CREEK SCENIC AREAS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRAIL PLANS FOR THE WILDERNESS AREAS AND SCENIC AREAS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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OCTOBER 22, 2007.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

## R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 763]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 763, 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. 1011, the Virginia Ridge and Valley Act of 2007, under a structured rule. 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 Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions of the bill, as amended, are waived. This waiver does not affect the point of order available under clause 9 of rule XXI (regarding earmark disclosure).

The rule makes in order the amendment printed in this report if offered by Representative Goodlatte. The amendment made in order shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question, shall be considered as read, and shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. All points of order against the amendment except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that, not-

withstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker.

#### EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the bill (except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI) includes a waiver of rule XIII, clause 3(c), requiring the inclusion in the report of certain performance goal information. The waiver of all points of order against the provisions of the bill, as amended, is prophylactic.

#### SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT MADE IN ORDER

1. Goodlatte (VA): The amendment changes the boundary of the Brush Mountain East wilderness area, removing 26 acres which contain a power line; changes the boundaries of the Seng Mountain Scenic Area, removing 1,263 acres from the area to allow continued use of the Barton Gap Motorized trail and wildlife habitat management in key areas; changes trail language for the Raccoon Branch area, removing specific requirements to locate the trail along Rt 650 and changing the connection road to Forest Development road 49352. (10 minutes)

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENT MADE IN ORDER

1. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GOODLATTE OF VIRGINIA, OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 3, line 20, strike “3,769 acres” and insert “3,743 acres”.

Page 3, line 22, strike “February” and insert “October”.

Page 12, line 23, strike “6,455 acres” and insert “5,192 acres”.

Page 12, line 25, strike “February” and insert “October”.

Page 18, beginning line 6, strike subsection (d) and insert the following new subsection:

(d) TRAIL REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall develop a sustainable trail, using a contour curvilinear alignment, to provide for non-motorized travel along the southern boundary of the Raccoon Branch Wilderness established by section 1(11) of Public Law 100–326, as added by (2)(a) of this Act, connecting to Forest Development Road 49352 in Smyth County, Virginia.