PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2, THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY ACT OF 1997

APRIL 29, 1997.—Referred to the House Calendar and order to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 133]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 133, by a non-record vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 2, the "Housing Opportunity and Responsibility Act of 1997" 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 Banking and Financial Services.

The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(1)(6) of rule XI (3 day availability of committee reports) or clause 7(b) of rule XIII (relating to cost estimate availability in report).

The rule makes in order the Banking and Financial Services Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and provides that the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute by considered by title.

The rule waives points or order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute for failure to comply with clause 5(a) of rule XXI (relating to appropriations in a legislative bill).

The rule makes in order, before the consideration of any other amendment, an amendment printed in the Congressional Record of April 29, 1997, if offered by Representative Lazio of New York or his designee.

The rule provides that the amendment shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to demand for division of the

question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole and all points of order against the amendment are waived. Also, the rule provides that if the amendment is adopted, the bill, as amended, shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of further amendment.

The rule provides that Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Record prior to their consideration will be given priority in recognition to offer their amendments if otherwise consistent with House rules, and provides that pre-printed amendments will be considered as read.

The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote.

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

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