

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE CONFERENCE REPORT TO ACCOMPANY THE BILL (H.R. 1540) TO AUTHORIZE APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 FOR MILITARY ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, FOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AND FOR DEFENSE ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, TO PRESCRIBE MILITARY PERSONNEL STRENGTHS FOR SUCH FISCAL YEAR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; AND PROVIDING FOR PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PERIOD FROM DECEMBER 16, 2011, THROUGH JANUARY 16, 2012

DECEMBER 13, 2011.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. BISHOP of Utah, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 493]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 493, by a record vote of 8 to 4, 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 the conference report to accompany H.R. 1540, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012. The resolution waives all points of order against the conference report and its consideration. The resolution provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. The resolution provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervention of any motion except one hour of debate and one motion to recommit if applicable. Debate on the conference report is divided pursuant to clause 8(d) of rule XXII.

Section 2 of the resolution provides that it shall be in order at any time through the remainder of the first session of the 112th Congress for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules, as though under clause 1(c) of rule XV, if the text of the measure proposed in a motion is made available to Members, Delegates, and the Resident Commissioner (including pursuant to clause 3 of rule XXIX) on the calendar day before consideration.

Section 3 of the resolution provides that on any legislative day of the first session of the 112th Congress after December 16, 2011: (1) the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; (2) the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time, within the limits of

clause 4, section 5, article I of the Constitution, to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment; and (3) bills and resolutions introduced during the period addressed by this section shall be numbered, listed in the Congressional Record, and when printed shall bear the date of introduction, but may be referred by the Speaker at a later time.

Section 4 of the resolution provides that on any legislative day of the second session of the 112th Congress before January 17, 2012: (1) the Speaker may dispense with organizational and legislative business; (2) the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved if applicable; and (3) the Chair at any time may declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time, within the limits of clause 4, section 5, article I of the Constitution, to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment.

Section 5 of the resolution authorizes the Speaker to appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by sections 3 and 4 as though under clause 8(a) of rule I.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The waiver of all points of order against the conference report and its consideration includes a waiver of clause 9 of rule XXII, which prohibits the inclusion of matter in a conference report not committed to the conference by either House.

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. 175

Motion by Mr. Sessions to report the rule. Adopted: 8–4.

Majority Members	Vote	Minority Members	Vote
Mr. Sessions	Yea	Ms. Slaughter	Nay
Ms. Foxx	Yea	Mr. McGovern	Nay
Mr. Bishop of Utah	Yea	Mr. Hastings of Florida	Nay
Mr. Woodall	Yea	Mr. Polis	Nay
Mr. Nugent	Yea		
Mr. Scott of South Carolina	Yea		
Mr. Webster	Yea		
Mr. Dreier, Chairman	Yea		