

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 3865) TO PROHIBIT THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE FROM MODIFYING THE STANDARD FOR DETERMINING WHETHER AN ORGANIZATION IS OPERATED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE PROMOTION OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 501(C)(4) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 2804) TO AMEND TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, TO REQUIRE THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS TO PUBLISH INFORMATION ABOUT RULES ON THE INTERNET, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

FEBRUARY 25, 2014.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 487]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 487, by a record vote of 8 to 2, 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. 3865, the Stop Targeting of Political Beliefs by the IRS Act of 2014, under a closed rule. The resolution provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The resolution provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The resolution waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The resolution provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Section 2 of the resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 2804, the All Economic Regulations Are Transparent Act of 2013, under a structured rule. The resolution provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The

resolution makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–38 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The resolution waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The resolution makes in order only those further amendments printed in this report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in this report, may be offered only by a Member designated in this report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in this report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The resolution waives all points of order against the amendments printed in this report. The resolution provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Section 3 of the resolution provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of February 27, 2014, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules, as though under clause 1 of rule XV, relating to H.R. 3370, the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

Although the resolution waives all points of order against consideration of H.R. 3865, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic in nature.

Although the resolution waives all points of order against provisions in H.R. 3865, as amended, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic in nature.

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of H.R. 2804 includes a waiver of clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII, requiring the inclusion of general performance goals and objectives in the committee report. It is important to note that while the report to accompany H.R. 2804 did include a statement reflecting the performance goals, the statement was incomplete.

The waiver of all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute to H.R. 2804 made in order as original text includes a waiver of clause 7 of rule XVI, which requires that no motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment. It is important to note that while the waiver is necessary, all of the measures contained in Rules Committee Print 113–38 are directly related to regulatory reform.

Although the resolution waives all points of order against the amendments to H.R. 2804 printed in this report, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is 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. 110

Motion by Mr. Bishop of Utah to report the rule. Adopted: 8–2

Majority Members	Vote	Majority Members	Vote
Ms. Foxx	Yea	Ms. Slaughter
Mr. Bishop of Utah	Yea	Mr. McGovern	Nay
Mr. Cole	Yea	Mr. Hastings of Florida	Nay
Mr. Woodall	Yea	Mr. Polis
Mr. Nugent		
Mr. Webster	Yea		
Ms. Ros-Lehtinen	Yea		
Mr. Burgess	Yea		
Mr. Sessions, Chairman	Yea		

SUMMARY OF THE AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 2804 MADE IN ORDER

1. Cartwright (PA): Strikes the 6 month moratorium on finalizing rules. (10 minutes)

2. Murphy, Patrick (FL): Cuts titles II and IV from the bill. (10 minutes)

3. Rothfus (PA), Barr, (KY): Adds terms to define a negative-impact on jobs and wages rule, helps agencies identify a negative-impact on jobs and wages rule, and requires agency heads approving a negative-impact on jobs and wages rule to submit a statement that they approved the rule knowing of its negative-impact on jobs and wages. (10 minutes)

4. Brady, Kevin (TX): Requires federal agencies to identify in any Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPR) the achievable objective of the proposed rule and the metrics to be used. Also requires federal agencies in issuing final rules to certify that the rule meets the objectives the agency identified in the NPR. (10 minutes)

5. Rigell (VA): Expands the requirements of initial regulatory flexibility analyses to include an analysis of any impairment of the ability of small entities to have access to credit. (10 minutes)

6. Tipton (CO): Makes a technical correction that ensures the current requirement, under the Regulatory Flexibility Act, that each agency annually publish a list of regulations to be reviewed pursuant to its periodic review plan, remains so. (10 minutes)

7. Connolly (VA): Exempts any rule pertaining to air quality or water quality. (10 minutes)

8. Jackson Lee (TX): Exempts rules made by the Secretary of Homeland Security, or any consent decree or settlement made as a result of the rule. (10 minutes)

9. Johnson, Hank (GA): Excludes from the bill any rule, consent decree, or settlement agreement that the Director of the Office of Management and Budget determines would result in net job creation or whose benefits exceeds its costs. (10 minutes)

10. Miller, George (CA), Courtney (CT): Exempts regulations proposed by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to prevent combustible dust explosions and fires. (10 minutes)

11. Miller, George (CA), Courtney (CT): Exempts any regulations, or modifications thereto, which have been recommended in writing by the Inspector General of a federal agency, including but not limited to those which would improve protections for taxpayers, students, public and workplace safety and health, or otherwise increase the effectiveness or efficiency of agency activities. (10 minutes)

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 2804 MADE IN ORDER

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

Page 3, after line 4, the table of sections is amended to read as follows:

“Sec.

“651. Agency monthly submission to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs.

“652. Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Publications.

“653. Definitions.”

Page 8, strike line 21, and all that follows through page 9, line 15.

Page 9, line 16, strike “654” and insert “653”.

Page 11, strike lines 3 through 7.

2. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MURPHY OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

In the bill, strike title II and title IV, and redesignate provisions and conform the table of contents accordingly.

3. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ROTHFUS OF PENNSYLVANIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 12, after line 19, insert the following (and redesignate accordingly):

“(17) ‘negative-impact on jobs and wages rule’ means any rule that the agency that made the rule or the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs determines is likely to—

“(A) in one or more sectors of the economy that has a 6-digit code under the North American Industry Classification System, reduce employment not related to new regulatory compliance by 1 percent or more annually during the 1-year, 5-year, or 10-year period after implementation;

“(B) in one or more sectors of the economy that has a 6-digit code under the North American Industry Classification System, reduce average weekly wages for employment not related to new regulatory compliance by 1 percent or more annually during the 1-year, 5-year, or 10-year period after implementation;

“(C) in any industry area (as such term is defined in the Current Population Survey conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics) in which the most recent annual unemployment rate for the industry area is greater than 5 percent, as determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in the Current Population Survey, reduce employment not related to new regulatory compliance during the first year after implementation; or

“(D) in any industry area in which the Bureau of Labor Statistics projects in the Occupational Employment Statistics program that the employment level will decrease by 1 percent or more, further reduce employment not related to

new regulatory compliance during the first year after implementation;”.

Page 16, line 16, insert after “domestic jobs),” the following: “wages,”.

Page 16, line 25, insert after “HIGH-IMPACT RULES” the following: “NEGATIVE-IMPACT ON JOBS AND WAGES RULES,”.

Page 17, line 2, strike “a major rule or high-impact rule” and insert the following: “a major rule, a high-impact rule, a negative-impact on jobs and wages rule,”.

Page 29, line 13, strike “and”.

Page 29, line 14, strike “major rule or high-impact rule,” and insert the following: “major rule, high-impact rule, or negative-impact on jobs and wages rule,”.

Page 30, line 2, strike the period at the end and insert “; and”.

Page 30, after line 2, insert the following:

“(H) for any negative-impact on jobs and wages rule, a statement that the head of the agency that made the rule approved the rule knowing about the findings and determination of the agency or the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs that qualified the rule as a negative impact on jobs and wages rule.”.

4. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BRADY OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 17, line 23, strike “; and” and insert the following: “;”.

Page 18, line 4, insert “and” after “rule;”;

Page 18, insert after line 4 the following:

“(E) an achievable objective for the rule and metrics by which the agency will measure progress toward that objective;”.

Page 19, line 20, strike “and”.

Page 19, line 22, insert “and” after “statute;”.

Page 19, insert after line 22 the following:

“(iii) an achievable objective for the rule and metrics by which the agency will measure progress toward that objective;”.

Page 29, line 13, strike “and”.

Page 29, insert after line 13 the following:

“(G) the agency’s reasoned final determination that the rule meets the objectives that the agency identified in subsection (d)(1)(E)(iii) or that other objectives are more appropriate in light of the full administrative record and the rule meets those objectives;

“(H) the agency’s reasoned final determination that it did not deviate from the metrics the agency included in subsection (d)(1)(E)(iii) or that other metrics are more appropriate in light of the full administrative record and the agency did not deviate from those metrics; and”.

Page 29, line 14, strike “(G)(i) for any major rule” and insert the following: “(I)(i) for any major rule”.

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

Page 53, line 24, strike “and”.

Page 54, line 3, after “entitites” the following: “; and”.

Page 54, line 3, insert before the first period the following:

“(8) describing any impairment of the ability of small entities to have access to credit”.

6. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE TIPTON OF COLORADO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 66, line 1, strike “The agency” and insert “Each year, each agency”.

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

In the table of contents of the bill, insert after item pertaining to section 405 the following:

TITLE V—EXCEPTION

Sec. 501. Exception.

Add, at the end of the bill, the following:

TITLE V—EXCEPTION

SEC. 501. EXCEPTION.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the provisions of this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall not apply in the case of a rule pertaining to air quality or water quality, or a consent decree or settlement agreement pertaining to such a rule. In the case of such a rule, consent decree, or settlement agreement, the provisions of law amended by this Act shall apply as though such amendments had not been made.

8. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

In the table of contents of the bill, insert after item pertaining to section 405 the following:

TITLE V—EXCEPTION

Sec. 501. Exception.

Add, at the end of the bill, the following:

TITLE V—EXCEPTION

SEC. 501. EXCEPTION.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the provisions of this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall not apply in the case of a rule made by the Secretary of Homeland Security, or a consent decree or settlement agreement pertaining to such a rule. In the case of such a rule, consent decree, or settlement agreement,

the provisions of law amended by this Act shall apply as though such amendments had not been made.

9. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

In the table of contents of the bill, insert after item pertaining to section 405 the following:

TITLE V—EXCEPTION

Sec. 501. Exception.

Add, at the end of the bill, the following:

TITLE V—EXCEPTION

SEC. 501. EXCEPTION.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the provisions of this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall not apply in the case of a rule that the Director of the Office of Management and Budget determines would result in net job creation and whose benefits exceeds its cost, or a consent decree or settlement agreement pertaining to such a rule. In the case of such a rule, consent decree, or settlement agreement, the provisions of law amended by this Act shall apply as though such amendments had not been made.

10. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

In the table of contents of the bill, insert after item pertaining to section 405 the following:

TITLE V—EXCEPTION

Sec. 501. Exception.

Add, at the end of the bill, the following:

TITLE V—EXCEPTION

SEC. 501. EXCEPTION.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the provisions of this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall not apply in the case of a rule made by the Administrator of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to prevent combustible dust explosions and fires, or a consent decree or settlement agreement pertaining to such a rule. In the case of such a rule, consent decree, or settlement agreement, the provisions of law amended by this Act shall apply as though such amendments had not been made.

11. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

In the table of contents of the bill, insert after item pertaining to section 405 the following:

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Sec. 501. Exception.

Add, at the end of the bill, the following:

TITLE V—EXCEPTION

SEC. 501. EXCEPTION.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the provisions of this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall not apply in the case of a rule that has been recommended in writing by the Inspector General of a Federal agency, including but not limited to those which would improve protections for taxpayers, students, public and workplace safety and health, or increase effectiveness or efficiency of agency activities, or in the case of a consent decree or settlement agreement pertaining to such a rule. In the case of such a rule, consent decree, or settlement agreement, the provisions of law amended by this Act shall apply as though such amendments had not been made.

