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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On September 27, 1995, after a misuse of handouts on the floor of the House, and at the bipartisan request of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, the Chair announced that any handouts distributed by a Member or the Chamber during proceedings of the House must bear the name of the Member authorizing its distribution; that the content of a handout must comport with the standards of propriety that apply to words spoken in debate or inserted in the Record, and that failure to comply with these requirements may constitute a breach of decorum and could give rise to a question of privilege.

On January 7, 1997, the Speaker reiterated these standards as guidelines for the 105th Congress, and they have been so reiterated by the successive Speakers in each successive Congress. The Chair takes this opportunity to remind all Members of the need to maintain a level of decorum that properly dignifies the proceedings of the House.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF SENATE AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 3590, SERVICE MEMBERS HOME OWNERSHIP TAX ACT OF 2009, AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4872, HEALTH CARE AND EDUCATION RECONCILIATION ACT OF 2010

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 1203 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 1203

Resolved. That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to debate the topics addressed by the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 3590) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the first-time homebuyers credit in the case of members of the Armed Forces and certain other Federal employees, and for other purposes; and the topics addressed by the bill (H.R. 4872) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 292 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010, for two hours equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and Minority Leader or their respective designees.

Sec. 2. After debate pursuant to the first section of this resolution, it shall be in order to take from the Speaker’s table the bill (H.R. 3590) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the first-time homebuyers credit in the case of members of the Armed Forces and certain other Federal employees, and for other purposes, with the Senate amendments thereto, and to consider in the House, without intervention of any point of order except those arising under clause 10 of rule XXI, a single motion offered by the Majority Leader or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendments. The Senate amendments and the motion shall be considered as read. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption, without intervening motion or demand for division of the question.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, due to previous district commitments in Houston yesterday, I was not able to vote on rollcall votes taken during the evening of March 19 and March 20. I rise today to notify the House and the public on how I would have voted on those missed rollcall votes.

On House rollcall vote 144, "yea": On House rollcall vote 145, "yea": On House rollcall vote 146, "yea": On House rollcall vote 147, "yea": On House rollcall vote 148, "no": On House rollcall vote 149, "yea": On House rollcall vote 150, "yea": On House rollcall vote 151, "yea": On House rollcall vote 152, "yea": On House rollcall vote 153, "yea": On House rollcall vote 154, "yea".

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