

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2555, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2004

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JUNE 23, 2003.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART, from the Committee on Rules,  
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 293]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 293, 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. 2555, the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2004, 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 Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.

Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with section 501 of House Concurrent Resolution 95 (prohibiting advanced appropriations) and clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record.

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

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the bill includes a waiver of clause 4(c) or rule XIII (requiring the three-day availability of printed hearings on a general appropriation bill). The waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) is need-

ed because there are numerous legislative provisions included in the bill.

COMMITTEE VOTES

Pursuant to clause 3(b) of House rule XIII 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. 127*

Date: June 23, 2003.

Measure: H.R. 2555—Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2004.

Motion by: Mr. Frost.

Summary of motion: To make in order and grant the appropriate waivers for the amendment offered by Representative Obey that reduces the tax cut for the wealthy by 6% and provides \$1 billion to help fill critical homeland security deficiencies.

Results: Defeated 3 to 7.

Vote by Members: Linder—Nay; Diaz-Balart—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Myrick—Nay; Sessions—Nay; Reynolds—Nay; Frost—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

*Rules Committee Record Vote No. 128*

Date: June 23, 2003.

Measure: H.R. 2555—Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2004.

Motion by: Mr. Frost.

Summary of motion: To waive all points of order against Section 521 of the bill.

Results: Defeated 3 to 7.

Vote by Members: Linder—Nay; Diaz-Balart—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Myrick—Nay; Sessions—Nay; Reynolds—Nay; Frost—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

*Rules Committee Record Vote No. 129*

Date: June 23, 2003.

Measure: H.R. 2555—Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2004.

Motion by: Mr. McGovern.

Summary of motion: To make in order and grant the appropriation waivers for the amendment offered by Representative Baldwin which provides that the Secretary of Homeland Security may waive the restriction that provides that no funds would be available to procure Coast Guard vessels in the National Security Cutter and Offshore Patrol Cutter classes of ships unless the main propulsion diesel engines are manufactured in the United States by a domestically operated entity under the following three scenarios: (1) Adequate amounts of components are not available domestically to meet requirements on a timely basis; (2) Such a contract is necessary to acquire capability for national security purposes; or (3) There is a significant cost or quality difference between components manufactured in the United States and those manufactured outside the U.S.

Results: Defeated 3 to 7.

Vote by Members: Linder—Nay; Diaz-Balart—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Myrick—Nay; Sessions—Nay; Reynolds—Nay; Frost—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

*Rules Committee Record Vote No. 130*

Date: June 23, 2003.

Measure: H.R. 2555—Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act 2004.

Motion by: Mr. McGovern.

Summary of motion: To make in order and grant the appropriate waivers for the amendment offered by Representative Waters which requires the Secretary to review the proposed project to construct a remote passenger check-in-facility at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) to determine whether the project as designed will protect the safety of air passengers and the general public and transmit to Congress and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) a report containing the results of the review.

Results: Defeated 3 to 7.

Vote by Members: Linder—Nay; Diaz-Balart—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Myrick—Nay; Sessions—Nay; Reynolds—Nay; Frost—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Dreier—Nay.