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PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5521, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2007

JUNE 6, 2006.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 849]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 849, by a non-record 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. 5521, the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2007, under a structured 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. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill).

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in this report. The rule provides that the amendments printed in this report may be offered only in the order printed in this report, may be offered only by a Member designated 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 rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in this report.

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

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EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the bill includes a waiver of section 401(a)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new contract authority or new borrowing authority that is not limited to amounts provided in appropriations acts) because section 103 of the bill is in violation of section 401(a)(1). The waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) is necessary because there are numerous legislative provisions included in the bill.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER

(Summaries derived from information provided by sponsors.)

1. Brown-Waite (FL): Decreases the increase in funding for the Capitol Tour Guide Service by half. (10 minutes)

2. Davis, Susan (CA): Adds $1 million to the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS). The funding is offset by reducing by $1 million the funding for the Capital Guide Service and Special Services Office. (10 minutes)

3. McCaul (TX): Decreases GPO Congressional Printing and Binding funds by $3 million, and increases the Capitol Police salaries fund by $3 million. (10 minutes)

4. Baird (WA): Provides $2.4 million in funding for electronic mapping of the Capitol complex, including the Capitol itself, the House and Senate office buildings, tunnels, parking facilities, and other areas identified by the Capitol Police. The funds are offset by funds appropriated for the printing and binding of Government publications by the Government Printing Office. (10 minutes)

5. Hefley (CO): Cuts discretionary spending in the bill by one percent across-the-board. (10 minutes)

6. Cleaver (MO): Prohibits the funds authorized for Members' Representational Allowances in the bill from providing directly for any personal vehicle which is not an alternatively fueled vehicle. (10 minutes)

7. Meehan (MA): Prohibits funds in the bill from being used to establish or operate a smoking area in House Office Buildings. (10 minutes)

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER

1. An Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Brown-Waite of Florida, or Her Designee, Debatable for 10 Minutes

Page 12, line 4, strike "$8,490,000" and insert "$6,294,000".

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2. An Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Davis of California, or Her Designee, Debatable for 10 Minutes

Page 12, line 4, insert after the dollar amount the following: "(decreased by $1,000,000)".

Page 33, line 8, insert after the first dollar amount the following: "(increased by $1,000,000)".

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

Page 12, line 22, insert after the dollar amount the following: "(increased by $3,000,000)".

Page 36, line 3, insert after the dollar amount the following: "(decreased by $3,000,000)".

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

Page 13, line 13, insert after the dollar amount the following: "(increased by $2,400,000)".

Page 36, line 3, insert after the dollar amount the following: "(decreased by $2,400,000)".

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

Page 44, insert after line 18 the following:

SEC. 211. Each amount appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act that is not required to be appropriated or otherwise made available by a provision of law is hereby reduced by 1 percent.

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

Page 44, insert after line 18 the following:

SEC. 211. None of the funds made available in this Act under the heading "HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Salaries and Expenses—Members' Representational Allowances" may be used directly to provide any individual with a vehicle which is not an alternative fuel vehicle.

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

Page 44, insert after line 18 the following:

SEC. 211. None of the funds made available in this Act under the heading "ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL—House Office Buildings" may be used to establish or operate a smoking area in any building.

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