

House Calendar No. 169

106TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. RES. 423

[Report No. 106-498]

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2366) to provide small businesses certain protections from litigation excesses and to limit the product liability of nonmanufacturer product sellers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 15, 2000

Mr. LINDER, from the Committee on Rules, reported the following resolution; which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved*, That at any time after the adoption of this
2 resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of
3 rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee
4 of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consider-
5 ation of the bill (H.R. 2366) to provide small businesses
6 certain protections from litigation excesses and to limit the

1 product liability of nonmanufacturer product sellers. The
2 first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. General
3 debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed
4 one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman
5 and ranking minority member of the Committee on the
6 Judiciary. After general debate the bill shall be considered
7 for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in
8 order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of
9 amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in
10 the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee
11 on the Judiciary now printed in the bill. The committee
12 amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be consid-
13 ered as read. No amendment to the committee amendment
14 in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those
15 printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accom-
16 panying this resolution. Each amendment may be offered
17 only in the order printed in the report, may be offered
18 only by a Member designated in the report, shall be con-
19 sidered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified
20 in the report equally divided and controlled by the pro-
21 ponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amend-
22 ment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division
23 of the question in the House or in the Committee of the
24 Whole. All points of order against the amendments printed
25 in the report are waived. The Chairman of the Committee

1 of the Whole may: (1) postpone until a time during further
2 consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for
3 a recorded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five
4 minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any
5 postponed question that follows another electronic vote
6 without intervening business, provided that the minimum
7 time for electronic voting on the first in any series of ques-
8 tions shall be 15 minutes. At the conclusion of consider-
9 ation of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise
10 and report the bill to the House with such amendments
11 as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a
12 separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted
13 in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the com-
14 mittee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The pre-
15 vious question shall be considered as ordered on the bill
16 and amendments thereto to final passage without inter-
17 vening motion except one motion to recommit with or
18 without instructions.

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