

“(C) the potential threat of developments related to such effects on the security interests of the United States and its friends and allies in Asia.”.

SEC. 1222. REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR REPORTING TO CONGRESS ON MILITARY DEPLOYMENTS TO HAITI.

Section 1232(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (Public Law 106-65; 113 Stat. 788; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note) is repealed.

SEC. 1223. REPORT BY COMPTROLLER GENERAL ON PROVISION OF DEFENSE ARTICLES, SERVICES, AND MILITARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

(a) STUDY.—The Comptroller General shall conduct a study of the following:

(1) The benefits derived by each foreign country or international organization from the receipt of defense articles, defense services, or military education and training provided after December 31, 1989, pursuant to the drawdown of such articles, services, or education and training from the stocks of the Department of Defense under section 506, 516, or 552 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2318, 2321j, or 2348a) or any other provision of law.

(2) Any benefits derived by the United States from the provision of defense articles, defense services, and military education and training described in paragraph (1).

(3) The effect on the readiness of the Armed Forces as a result of the provision by the United States of defense articles, defense services, and military education and training described in paragraph (1).

(4) The cost to the Department of Defense with respect to the provision of defense articles, defense services, and military education and training described in paragraph (1).

(b) REPORTS.—(1) Not later than April 15, 2002, the Comptroller General shall submit to Congress an interim report containing the results to that date of the study conducted under subsection (a).

(2) Not later than August 1, 2002, the Comptroller General shall submit to Congress a final report containing the results of the study conducted under subsection (a).

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 314 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 314

Resolved, That it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of Wednesday, December 19, 2001, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules, provided that the object of any such motion is announced from the floor at least one hour before the motion is offered. The Speaker or his designee shall consult with the minority Leader or his designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Florida (Mr. DIAZ-BALART) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, for purposes of debate only, I yield the cus-

tomary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. HALL), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purposes of debate only.

(Mr. DIAZ-BALART asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 314 is a rule providing for the consideration of motions to suspend the rules at any time on the legislative day of Wednesday, December 19, 2001.

The rule further provides that the object of any motion to suspend the rules should be announced from the floor at least 1 hour prior to its consideration, and that the Speaker or his designee will consult with the minority leader or his designee on any suspension considered under the rule.

It is a fair rule, Mr. Speaker. It will allow for the consideration of important legislation. I would urge my colleagues to support this straightforward, hopefully noncontroversial, rule.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HALL of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, under rule XV of the House rules, bills may be considered on the House floor under suspension of the rules only on Mondays and Tuesdays, and this resolution will permit bills to be considered under suspension of the rules on Wednesday, December 19.

This special rule is open-ended. It authorizes the Republican House leadership to bring up any bill under suspensions of the rules. Other special rules considered during this Congress to create new suspension days covered only specific measures.

Mr. Speaker, I am concerned that this rule requires only 1 hour's notice before bringing up a bill under suspension.

Mr. Speaker, as we all know, during the last moments of a session when Members are rushing to wrap up the year's business, it is easy to make mistakes. It is also easy to take shortcuts that undermine the deliberative process and restrict the rights of the minority. Under these circumstances, 1 hour's notice is simply not enough time.

Towards the end of the session in 1999, the House passed an open-ended suspension rule that required at least 2 hours. Near the end of the session in 1998, the House also passed an open-ended suspension rule that required at least 2 hours. I fail to see why this rule should require only 1 hour's notice.

For this reason, I must reluctantly oppose the rule.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time, and

I move the previous question on the resolution.

The previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. HALL of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question are postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

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CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 1, NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT OF 2001

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, by the direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 315 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 315

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 1) to close the achievement gap with accountability, flexibility, and choice, so that no child is left behind. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SHIMKUS). The gentlewoman from Ohio (Ms. PRYCE) is recognized for 1 hour.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. SLAUGHTER), my colleague and friend, pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 315 is a standard rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 1, the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. The rule also waives all points of order against its consideration.

Mr. Speaker, today we take an historic leap forward on behalf of our children, parents and teachers across this great Nation. While lately, the attention of Americans has been focused on the war on terror, the Congress has continued to focus its attention on our Nation's most precious resource, our children. This conference report does just that and recognizes that investing in our children today will prepare them for the challenges of tomorrow.

The Committee on Education and the Workforce, assigned the demanding task of reforming our Nation's failing Federal education policy, has reported back a conference report that we all can and should support. I am pleased to