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PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2590, TREASURY AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS BILL, F.Y. 2002

Mr. FOSSELLA. Mr. Speaker, pending purposes of debate only, I yield the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. LINDER), the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. DINGELL), the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. BERRY), and the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER), for their comments. After general debate the bill shall be considered as read. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the purpose of considering this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, pending purposes of debate only. I urge my colleagues to support it so that we may proceed with general debate. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill the Committee shall rise and report the bill, as amended, to the House with such further amendments as the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition of Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record.

The Committee on Rules approved this rule by voice vote last night, and I urge my colleagues to support it so that we may proceed with general debate. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill the Committee shall rise and report the bill, as amended, to the House with such further amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FOSSELLA). The gentleman from Georgia (Mr. LINDER) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, for purposes of debate only, I yield the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations to the gentleman from Florida (Mr. HASTINGS), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for purposes of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 2306 is an open rule providing for the consideration of H.R. 2590, the fiscal year 2002 Treasury-Postal Service appropriations bill. It provides for 1 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 provisions in the bill, as amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI, which prohibits unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill.

House Resolution 206 also provides that the two amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the rule shall be consid- ered as adopted. This rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI, which prohibits unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill.

House Resolution 206 provides that the bill shall be considered for amendment by paragraph. The rule also waives all points of order against the amendment printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 5, which may be offered only by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SMITH) or his designee, and only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read.

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Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions, as is the right of the minority. The underlying bill, H.R. 2590, provides a total of roughly $17 billion in funding for a variety of Federal agencies and departments, about $1.1 billion more than the current fiscal year, and $490 million more than President Bush’s budget request.

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authorities. Not only was the FBI reluctant to become involved, but the U.S. Attorney’s Office has declined to enforce existing laws, claiming that this series of crimes involving interstate and international air transport and the use of the Internet to lure a child away from home into international sexual servitude is not a matter of Federal jurisdiction.

In response to this failure and the failure of the FAA and the Department of Transportation to use their rule-making authority to address any of these issues, I have filed legislation that would clarify the power of the Federal Government to bring such predators to justice.

The Children’s Air Travel Protection Act and the Parental Rights Protection Act would require that airlines get a written certification that a minor has parental or guardian’s permission and would forbid the use of the Internet to interfere with a parent’s authority or induce a minor to run away from home.

I would encourage my colleagues to join me in cosponsoring H.R. 2600 and H.R. 2601.

PATIENTS’ BILL OF RIGHTS

(As inserted in the Congressional Record and numbered 5 pursuant to clause 8 of rule XVIII, which waives all points of order against the bill, as amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI, which prohibits unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill.)

I urge my colleagues to vote for H.R. 2563, the Ganske-Dingell-Norwood-Berry bill.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 206 is resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the purpose of considering this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union for the purpose of consideration of the bill (H.R. 2590) making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain independent agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with, and the Committee of the Whole shall consider consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the designee of the majority member of the Committee on Appropriations. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. Points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI are waived. The amendment printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 5 pursuant to clause 8 of rule XVIII may be offered only by Representative Smith of New Jersey or his designee and only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill. All points of order against that amendment are waived. During consideration of the bill for further amendment, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority on consideration on the basis of whether the Member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill the amendment in the report of the Committee of the Whole shall be considered as read. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill the Committee shall rise and report the bill, as amended, to the House with such further amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

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Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the Treasury-Postal Operations appropriations bill for fiscal year 2002 and in support of the rule.

I want to congratulate the gentleman from Florida (Chairman ISTOOK) and the ranking member, the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER), for their work on this bill and for their recognition of the importance to the entire country of the necessary departments and agencies it funds.

For a moment, let me just say how important this bill is to the American people. It funds such diverse agencies as Customs and the Postal Service. It increases funding for the Office of National Drug Control Policy and the National Archives.

Mr. Speaker, in addition to the programs and agencies of national interest that I just alluded to, this bill contains