

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 438, THE
WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY ACT
OF 1999

FEBRUARY 23, 1999.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. LINDER, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 76]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 76, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 438, the “Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999” under an open rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Commerce.

The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 4(a) of rule XIII (requiring a three-day layover of the committee report). The Commerce Committee report was filed on Tuesday, February 23, and the bill will possibly be considered on the floor as early as Wednesday, February 24.

The rule makes in order the Committee on Commerce amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and provides that each section shall be considered as read.

The Chair is authorized to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote

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follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

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