

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5093, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2003

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JULY 15, 2002.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 483]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 483, by a nonrecord 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. 5093, the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2003, under an open 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 amendments printed in this report shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution.

The rule provides that the bill shall be considered for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order during consideration of the bill against amendments for failure to comply with clause 2(e) of rule XXI (prohibiting non-emergency designated amendments to be offered to an appropriations bill containing an emergency designation). The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the bill includes a waiver of section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation within the Budget Committee's jurisdiction, unless reported by the Budget Committee), which is needed because of several budget transfers included in the bill. The waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) is needed because there are numerous legislative provisions included in the bill.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED

Skeen: Manager's Amendment. Corrects language included in the bill that makes \$200,000,000 for the Bureau of Land Management's wildland fire management program and \$500,000,000 for the Forest Service's wildland fire management program as contingent emergency appropriations for fiscal year 2002, consistent with the Committee-adopted provisions.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED

On page 6 line 12 after "agement" insert "for fiscal year 2002 in addition to the amounts made available by Public Law 107-63" and after "\$200,000,000," insert "to remain available until December 31, 2002,".

And on page 82 line 8 after "agement" insert "for fiscal year 2002 in addition to the amounts made available by Public Law 107-63" and after "\$500,000,000," insert "to remain available until December 31, 2002,".