

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5254, REFINERY
PERMIT PROCESS SCHEDULE ACT

MAY 25, 2006.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 842]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 842, by a record vote of 9 to 4, reports the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 5254, the Refinery Permit Process Schedule Act, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The Committee is not aware of any points of order against consideration of the bill. The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the bill is prophylactic in nature.

COMMITTEE VOTES

Pursuant to clause 3(b) of House rule XIII the results of each record vote on an amendment or motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and against, are printed below:

Rules Committee record vote No. 210

Date: May 25, 2006.

Measure: H.R. 5254, Refinery Permit Process Schedule Act.

Motion by: Mrs. Slaughter.

Summary of motion: To report an open rule.

Results: Defeated 4 to 9.

Vote by Members: Diaz-Balart—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Sessions—Nay; Putnam—Nay; Capito—Nay; Cole—Nay; Bishop—Nay; Gingrey—Nay; Slaughter—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Matsui—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 211

Date: May 25, 2006.

Measure: H.R. 5254, Refinery Permit Process Schedule Act.

Motion by: Mr. McGovern.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide the appropriate waivers for the amendment offered by Representative Allen which strikes Section 5 of the bill, which requires the designation of no less than 3 closed military installations, or portions thereof, as potentially suitable for the construction of a refinery. At least one such site shall be designated as potentially suitable for the construction of a refinery to refine biomass in order to produce biofuel.

Results: Defeated 5 to 8.

Vote by Members: Diaz-Balart—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Sessions—Nay; Putnam—Nay; Capito—Nay; Cole—Nay; Bishop—Nay; Gingrey—Yea; Slaughter—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Matsui—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 212

Date: May 25, 2006.

Measure: H.R. 5254, Refinery Permit Process Schedule Act.

Motion by: Mr. Hastings of Florida.

Summary of Motion: To make in order and provide the appropriate waivers for the amendment in the nature of a substitute offered by Representative Boucher which establishes a Strategic Refinery Reserve to help cushion the shock of extreme supply disruptions that could occur as the result of natural disasters, acts of terrorism, or widespread energy infrastructure problems. Allows the Secretary of the Department of Energy to design and construct new refineries, or acquire closed refineries and reopen them.

Results: Defeated 4 to 9.

Vote by Members: Diaz-Balart—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Sessions—Nay; Putnam—Nay; Capito—Nay; Cole—Nay; Bishop—Nay; Gingrey—Nay; Slaughter—Yea; McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Matsui—Yea; Dreier—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 213

Date: May 25, 2006.

Measure: H.R. 5254, Refinery Permit Process Schedule Act.

Motion by: Mr. Lincoln Diaz-Balart.

Summary of motion: To report the rule.

Results: Agreed to 9 to 4.

Vote by Members: Diaz-Balart—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Putnam—Yea; Capito—Yea; Cole—Yea; Bishop—Yea; Gingrey—Yea; Slaughter—Nay; McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Dreier—Yea.