

REPORT ON RESOLUTION WAIVING POINTS OF ORDER AGAINST AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 67, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET—FISCAL YEARS 1996–2002

Mr. DREIER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 104-165) on the resolution (H. Res. 175) waiving points of order on the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 67) setting forth the congressional budget for the U.S. Government for the fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1944, RESCISSIONS AND DISASTER SUPPLEMENTAL ACT OF 1995

Mr. DREIER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 104-166) on the resolution (H. Res. 176) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1944) making emergency supplemental appropriations for additional disaster assistance, for antiterrorism initiatives, for assistance in the recovery from the tragedy that occurred at Oklahoma City, and making rescissions for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995, and for other purposes which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 1868, and that I may include tabular and extraneous material.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

ADJOURNMENT FROM 9:57 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M. TODAY

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourn today, it adjourn to meet at 11:30 a.m. today.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

Mr. GEPHARDT. Reserving the right to object, Mr. Speaker, and I probably will not object, I would like to inquire of the majority leader what this unanimous-consent request would result in with regard to the schedule for this morning.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GEPHARDT. I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, as the gentleman knows, today is still yester-

day. If this unanimous-consent request is agreed to, then we will adjourn and we will come back in an hour and a half, when today will be tomorrow, we will reconvene the House, and we will forego 1-minute. Then we will go into the rule on the budget conference report, and then from there we will move on to the budget conference report.

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, could the gentleman tell the Members what might happen after that?

Mr. ARMEY. Assuming, of course, that that will go swimmingly.

Mr. GEPHARDT. Side stroke, all the way.

Mr. ARMEY. To coin a phrase, as it were, we would then expect to move on to the rule on the rescission bill and then on the rescission bill.

Following that, we would hope to complete consideration of the Medicare select conference report.

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, can the gentleman tell us if there is business beyond that that he would like to try to finish today or tomorrow?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I would hope that that would complete our day for today, and that perhaps we would return tomorrow and take under consideration the appropriations bill that has been under consideration.

Mr. GEPHARDT. I thank the gentleman.

Mr. ARMEY. We would return the day after tomorrow.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman will yield, just for purposes of Members having time to do what they need to do this morning, and I will not object, but if we go into the full House to do the rule on the budget conference report, it would be difficult, I might tell my colleagues, for us to get a vote until the previous question on the rule, which Members can factor in the additional time that Members will have between now and then. That is probably an additional 45 minutes on top of the hour and a half.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GEPHARDT. I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman is correct, assuming there is no vote on the approval of the Journal, in which case we could roll that to a later point, and we should be able to give all our Members an opportunity to freshen up, come back, and be ready to run the table.

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman will continue to be available for one additional question, is it still the gentleman's intent to have the House adjourn at 3 o'clock tomorrow?

Mr. ARMEY. If the gentleman will yield further, the gentleman is correct. I have every intent, albeit a decreasing optimism, of being out of here by 3 o'clock tomorrow. However, it is important that we meet our departure times, especially after a rigorous week, and if everything goes well, we should have every expectation of having everyone out for the 4th of July work period by 3 o'clock on Friday.

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GEPHARDT. I yield to the gentleman from Florida.

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, are we contemplating Chief Justice Warren Burger's funeral today at 12:30, and is there going to be any time for those who may wish to attend to do so?

Mr. ARMEY. If the gentleman will yield further the gentleman is perfectly correct in making the question. At that time we should be in general debate, and there should be an opportunity for Members who wish to attend. I appreciate the gentleman making the inquiry.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman will yield further, I would like to ask the majority leader, Members have inquired as to whether or not the committees that are on, that are scheduled to meet at 10 o'clock, will be meeting.

Mr. ARMEY. I am sure that would be at the discretion of each of the separate committees, but we will not be in the House under the 5-minute rule, so it would be perfectly acceptable within the rules of the House for them to do so.

Mr. GEPHARDT. One last inquiry, Mr. Speaker, of the distinguished majority leader. Will there be any 1-minute speeches today?

Mr. ARMEY. Again, Mr. Speaker, let me thank the minority leader for asking. With the gentleman's acceptance, I would propose that we not do so.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GEPHARDT. I yield to the gentleman from Missouri.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman mentioned that later on tomorrow, the next legislative day, that the second item of business would probably be the rule, and then the new rescission bill. When will that bill be available for Members to review?

Mr. ARMEY. If the gentleman from Missouri will yield further, Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the gentleman asking me. That will happen as soon as we can get to it.

Mr. VOLKMER. If the gentleman will continue to yield, some Members might like to take a look at it before we vote on it.

Mr. ARMEY. I appreciate that. It is available now and I am sure we can make it available to the gentleman.

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

REPORT OF THE CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United