

House Calendar No. 131

107TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. RES. 367

[Report No. 107-375]

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2341) to amend the procedures that apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure fairer outcomes for class members and defendants, to outlaw certain practices that provide inadequate settlements for class members, to assure that attorneys do not receive a disproportionate amount of settlements at the expense of class members, to provide for clearer and simpler information in class action settlement notices, to assure prompt consideration of interstate class actions, to amend title 28, United States Code, to allow the application of the principles of Federal diversity jurisdiction to interstate class actions, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 12, 2002

Ms. PRYCE, from the Committee on Rules, reported the following resolution; which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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1 *Resolved*, That at any time after the adoption of this
2 resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of
3 rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee
4 of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consider-
5 ation of the bill (H.R. 2341) to amend the procedures that
6 apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure
7 fairer outcomes for class members and defendants, to out-
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12 mation in class action settlement notices, to assure prompt
13 consideration of interstate class actions, to amend title 28,
14 United States Code, to allow the application of the prin-
15 ciples of Federal diversity jurisdiction to interstate class
16 actions, and for other purposes. The first reading of the
17 bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against
18 consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall
19 be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equal-
20 ly divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking mi-

1 nority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. After
2 general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment
3 under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider
4 as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under
5 the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a sub-
6 stitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary
7 now printed in the bill. The committee amendment in the
8 nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. No
9 amendment to the committee amendment in the nature
10 of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in
11 the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this
12 resolution. Each such amendment may be offered only in
13 the order printed in the report, may be offered only by
14 a Member designated in the report, shall be considered
15 as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the
16 report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and
17 an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall
18 not be subject to a demand for division of the question
19 in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points
20 of order against such amendments are waived. At the con-
21 clusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the
22 Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with
23 such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member
24 may demand a separate vote in the House on any amend-
25 ment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill

1 or to the committee amendment in the nature of a sub-
2 stitute. The previous question shall be considered as or-
3 dered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage
4 without intervening motion except one motion to recommit
5 with or without instructions.

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