

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3814, THE
COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND RELATED AGENCIES
APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997

JULY 16, 1996.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Ms. PRYCE, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 479]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 479, by a non-record 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. 3814, the “Commerce, Justice, State and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 1997” 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 Appropriations.

The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(1)(6) of rule XI (the three-day availability of the report), and clause 7 of rule XXI (the three-day requirement for availability of printed hearings and reports on appropriation bills).

The rule also provides for the consideration, before any other amendment, of the amendment printed in this report, if offered by Mr. Rogers of Kentucky or his designee, which shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against this amendment.

The rule further waives points of order against provisions in the bill (other than those under the Department of Commerce, Science and Technology, the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the matter under the heading “Industrial Technology Services” that begins with “In addition” and continues through “Work-

ing Capital Fund”; and under the Department of Commerce, the heading “Technology Administration” and the matter thereunder) for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations and legislation on general appropriations bills) or clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting transfers of unobligated balances).

The rule accords priority in recognition to those amendments that are pre-printed in the Congressional Record.

The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce to five minutes the voting time on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote.

The rule provides that a motion to rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted and shall have precedence over a motion to amend, if offered by the Majority Leader or a designee after the reading of the final lines of the bill.

Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

Explanation of Rogers amendment:

(1) Provide flexibility to California to use state prison grant funds to fully fund the cost of incarcerating illegal aliens in the State;

(2) Allow Economic and Development Administration funding to be used for Trade Adjustment Assistance Centers, as has been the case in past years;

(3) Increase funding for the National Marine Sanctuaries program by \$1.68 million to last year’s level, offset by decreasing funding for satellites by the same amount; and

(4) Provide \$2 million for the Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement recently authorized under the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996.

THE AMENDMENT MADE IN ORDER BY THE RULE

The Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Rogers of Kentucky or his Designee, Debatable for 10 Minutes:

In title I, under the heading “Violent Crime Reduction Programs, State and Local Law Enforcement”, after “and of which \$12,500,000 shall be available for the Cooperative Agreement Program” insert the following: “: *Provided further*, That funds made available for Violent Offender Incarceration and Truth in Sentencing Incentive Grants to the State of California may, at the discretion of the recipient, be used for payments for the incarceration of criminal aliens”.

In title II, under the heading “Economic Development Administration, Economic Development Assistance Programs”, after “September 30, 1982,” insert the following: “and for trade adjustment assistance,”.

In title II, under the heading “National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Operations, Research, and Facilities”, strike “\$180,975,000” and insert “\$182,660,000”, and strike “\$431,582,000” and insert “\$429,897,000”.

In title V, after the matter under the heading “Administrative Provisions—Maritime Administration”, insert the following:

“COMMISSION ON THE ADVANCEMENT OF FEDERAL LAW
ENFORCEMENT

“SALARIES AND EXPENSES

“For necessary expenses of the Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement, as authorized by the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996, \$2,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 1998.”.