

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2823, THE
INTERNATIONAL DOLPHIN CONSERVATION PROGRAM ACT

JULY 25, 1996.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. GOSS, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 489]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 489, by a nonrecord 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. 2823, the “International Dolphin Conservation Program Act” under a modified closed rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources.

The resolution provides, in lieu of the Resources Committee amendment, for one amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1 to be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and that the amendment numbered 1 shall be considered as read.

The resolution provides for an amendment to be offered by Representative Miller (CA) or his designee printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The amendment offered by Representative Miller (CA) or his designee shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment.

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

EXPLANATION OF THE AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY
REPRESENTATIVE MILLER OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE

As reported by the Committee, H.R. 2823 would change existing law by allowing tuna destined for U.S markets to be labeled “safe” for dolphins even if dolphins were chased, harassed, injured or en-

circled with nets, without limitations and regardless of the impact on individual dolphins or dolphin populations, provided that no dolphins are observed to be killed during the netting operation.

The amendment would retain the existing statutory intent of the “Dolphin Safe” label by ensuring that dolphins are not harmed in any way while fishing for tuna. This change does not affect the embargo-related provisions of the bill.

THE AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 1 HOUR

In section 901(d)(2)(B) of the Dolphin Protection Consumer Information Act (as proposed to be amended by section 4(h)(1) of the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text), insert “, chased, harassed, injured, or encircled with nets” after “killed” in each of the places it appears.