

H. Res. 254

In the House of Representatives, U. S.,

September 28, 1993.

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 1(b) of rule XXIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2401) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1994 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1994, and for other purposes. No further amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except the amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution and amendments en bloc described in section 3 of this resolution. Pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate may be offered only by the chairman or ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services. Except as specified in sections 2 through 4 of this resolution, each amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be consid-

ered as read, shall not be subject to amendment except as specified in the report, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. Except as otherwise specified in the report, each amendment printed in the report shall be debatable for ten minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. All points of order against amendments printed in the report are waived.

SEC. 2. It shall be in order at any time to consider the amendments printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules in the order printed. Such consideration shall begin with an additional period of general debate, which shall be confined to section 575 of the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute and the amendments printed in part 1 of the report and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled among the chairman of the Committee on Armed Services, the ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services, and Representative Skelton of Missouri. If more than one of the amendments printed in part 1 of the report is adopted, only the last to be adopted shall be considered as finally adopted and reported to the House.

SEC. 3. It shall be in order at any time for the chairman of the Committee on Armed Services or his designee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments printed in

part 4 of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution or in House Report 103-236 or germane modifications thereof. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read except that modifications shall be reported. Amendments en bloc shall be debatable for twenty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. For the purpose of inclusion in amendments en bloc, an amendment printed in the form of a motion to strike may be modified to the form of a germane perfecting amendment to the text originally proposed to be stricken. All points of order against amendments en bloc are waived. The original proponent of an amendment included in amendments en bloc may insert a statement in the Congressional Record immediately before the disposition of the amendments en bloc.

SEC. 4. The chairman of the Committee of the Whole may postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment made in order by this resolution. The chairman of the Committee of the Whole may reduce to not less than five minutes the time for voting by electronic device on any postponed question that immediately follows another vote by

electronic device without intervening business, provided that the time for voting by electronic device on the first in any series of questions shall be not less than fifteen minutes. The chairman of the Committee of the Whole may recognize for consideration of an amendment printed in parts 2 through 4 of the report of the Committee on Rules out of the order printed, but not sooner than one hour after the chairman of the Committee on Armed Services announces from the floor a request to that effect.

SEC. 5. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been finally adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Attest:

Clerk.