

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 4351) TO AMEND THE
INTERNAL REVENUE CODE TO PROVIDE INDIVIDUALS TEMPORARY RE-
LIEF FROM THE ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX, AND FOR OTHER PUR-
POSES

DECEMBER 11, 2007.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 861]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 861, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 4351, the “AMT Relief Act of 2007,” under a closed rule. The resolution provides for one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means.

The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The resolution provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The resolution waives all points of order against provisions of the bill. This waiver does not affect the point of order available under clause 9 of rule XXI (regarding earmark disclosure). The resolution provides one motion to recommit the bill. Finally, the resolution permits the Chair, during consideration of the bill, to postpone further consideration of it to a time designated by the Speaker.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

Although the rule waives all points of order against the bill and its consideration (except for those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI), the Committee is not aware of any points of order against the bill or its consideration. The waivers of all points of order against the bill and its consideration (except for those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI) are prophylactic in nature.

COMMITTEE VOTES

The results of each record vote on an amendment or motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and against, are printed below:

Rules Committee record vote No. 414

Date: December 11, 2007.

Measure: H.R. 4351.

Motion by: Mr. Dreier.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment in the nature of a substitute by Rep. McCrery (LA), revised #1, which would strike all the tax-increasing provisions in the bill.

Results: Defeated 2–8.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea.

Rules Committee record vote No. 415

Date: December 11, 2007.

Measure: H.R. 4351.

Motion by: Mr. Dreier.

Summary of motion: To make in order a germane amendment by Rep. McCrery (LA) separately debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled.

Results: Defeated 2–8.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea.

Rules Committee record vote No. 416

Date: December 11, 2007.

Measure: H.R. 4351.

Motion by: Mr. Hastings (WA).

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment by Rep. Hastings (WA), #2, which would extend the deduction for state and local sales taxes for one year through tax year 2008.

Results: Defeated 2–8.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea.