AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT FOR H.R. 1900

OFFERED BY MS. CASTOR OF FLORIDA

After section 1, insert the following:

TITLE I—NATURAL GAS PIPELINE PERMITTING REFORM

Redesignate section 2 as section 101.

At the end of the Committee Print, add the following new title:

3 TITLE II—FLOOD INSURANCE 4 FAIRNESS

5 SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.

6 This title may be cited as the "Flood Insurance Fair-7 ness Act of 2013".

8 SEC. 202. DELAY IN FLOOD INSURANCE PREMIUM CHANGES

9 UNTIL COMPLETION OF AFFORDABILITY
10 STUDY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the amendments made by sections 100205 and
100207 of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform
Act of 2012 (Public Law 112–141; 126 Stat. 917) to sections 1307 and 1308 of the National Flood Insurance Act

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of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4014 and 4015) shall not take effect
 until the expiration of the 180-day period beginning on
 the date that the House of Representatives and the Senate
 have both completed consideration of a qualified joint res olution pursuant to section 204 of this Act.

6 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsection (a) shall take ef7 fect as if enacted as part of the Biggert-Waters Flood In8 surance Reform Act of 2012.

9SEC. 203. DETERMINATION OF AFFORDABILITY; SUBMIS-10SION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE CHANGES.

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Federal 12 Emergency Management Agency shall submit to the Con-13 gress, and to the Secretary of the Senate if the Senate is not in session and to the Clerk of the House of Rep-14 15 resentatives if the House is not in session, together with the report required under section 100236 of the Biggert-16 Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 (126 Stat. 17 957)— 18

(1) a determination of whether risk premium
rates for flood insurance coverage under the national
flood insurance program resulting from the amendments referred to in section 202(a) of this Act are
substantially affordable for all homeowners; and

(2) if the determination under paragraph (1) of
 this subsection is that such premium rates are not
 substantially affordable for all homeowners—

4 (A) recommendations for legislative modifications, including any modifications necessary 5 6 the amendments referred to in section to 7 202(a), sufficient to ensure that risk premium 8 rates for flood insurance coverage under the na-9 tional flood insurance program resulting from the amendments referred to in section 202(a) of 10 11 this Act are substantially affordable for all 12 homeowners; and

(B) a proposed joint resolution that provides for the legislative modifications under
subparagraph (A).

(b) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Administrator shall
make the matter submitted to the Congress pursuant to
subsection (a), including the proposed joint resolution,
publicly available, and shall publish in the Federal Register a notice of the matter and information on how it can
be obtained.

22 SEC. 204. EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDA23 TIONS FOR REFORMS.

(a) QUALIFIED JOINT RESOLUTION.—For purposesof this section, the term "qualified joint resolution" means

only a joint resolution described in section 203(a)(2)(B)
 of this Act.

3 (b) INTRODUCTION.—A proposed qualified joint reso-4 lution transmitted by the Administrator of the Federal 5 Emergency Management Agency under section 203(a) shall be introduced in the Senate (by request) on the next 6 7 day on which the Senate is in session by the majority lead-8 er of the Senate or by a Member of the Senate designated 9 by the majority leader of the Senate and shall be introduced in the House of Representatives (by request) on the 10 next legislative day by the majority leader of the House 11 12 or by a Member of the House designated by the majority leader of the House. 13

(c) NO REFERRAL.—A qualified joint resolution shall
not be referred to a committee in either House of Congress
and shall immediately be placed on the calendar.

17 (d) MOTION TO PROCEED.—A motion to proceed to 18 a joint resolution is highly privileged in the House of Representatives and is privileged in the Senate and is not de-19 batable. The motion is not subject to a motion to postpone, 20 21 and all points of order against the motion are waived. A 22 motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion is 23 agreed to or disagreed to shall not be in order. If a motion 24 to proceed to the consideration of a qualified joint resolu-25 tion is agreed to, the qualified joint resolution shall remain

the unfinished business of the respective House until dis posed of.

3 (e) EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION IN THE HOUSE OF 4 **REPRESENTATIVES.**—In the House of Representatives, a 5 qualified joint resolution shall be considered as read. All points of order against the qualified joint resolution and 6 7 against its consideration are waived. The previous ques-8 tion shall be considered as ordered on the qualified joint 9 resolution to its passage without intervening motion except 10 2 hours of debate shall be divided equally between the majority and minority leaders or their designees. A motion 11 12 to reconsider the vote on passage of the qualified joint res-13 olution shall not be in order. A vote on final passage of the qualified joint resolution shall be taken in the House 14 15 of Representatives on or before the close of the 10th legislative day after the date of the introduction of the quali-16 17 fied joint resolution in the House of Representatives.

18 (f) EXPEDITED PROCEDURE IN THE SENATE.—

(1) CONSIDERATION.—In the Senate, consideration of a qualified joint resolution, and on all debatable motions and appeals in connection therewith,
shall be limited to not more than 10 hours, which
shall be divided equally between the majority and
minority leaders or their designees. A motion to further limit debate is in order and not debatable. An

amendment to, a motion to postpone, a motion to
 proceed to the consideration of other business, or a
 motion to commit the qualified joint resolution is not
 in order.

(2) PASSAGE.—If the Senate has proceeded to 5 6 a qualified joint resolution, the vote on passage of 7 the qualified joint resolution shall occur immediately 8 following the conclusion of consideration of the 9 qualified joint resolution, and a single quorum call 10 at the conclusion of the debate if requested in ac-11 cordance with the rules of the Senate. A vote on the 12 final passage of the qualified joint resolution shall be 13 taken in the Senate on or before the close of the 14 10th legislative day after the date of the introduc-15 tion of the qualified joint resolution in the Senate.

16 (3) RULINGS OF THE CHAIR ON PROCEDURE.—
17 Appeals from the decisions of the Chair relating to
18 the application of the rules of the Senate, as the
19 case may be, to the procedure relating to a qualified
20 joint resolution shall be decided without debate.

(g) POINTS OF ORDER.—In the Senate or the House
of Representatives, a Member of the Senate or House of
Representatives, respectively, may raise a point of order
that a qualified joint resolution does not meet the definition of a qualified joint resolution under subsection (a).

1	(h) AMENDMENT.—A qualified joint resolution shall
2	not be subject to amendment in either the House of Rep-
3	resentatives or the Senate.
4	(i) IN GENERAL.—If, before passing a qualified joint
5	resolution, one House receives from the other a qualified
6	joint resolution—
7	(1) the qualified joint resolution from the other
8	House shall not be referred to a committee; and
9	(2) with respect to a qualified joint resolution
10	of the House receiving the qualified joint resolu-
11	tion—
12	(A) the procedure in that House shall be
13	the same as if no qualified joint resolution had
14	been received from the other House until the
15	vote on passage; but
16	(B) the vote on final passage shall be on
17	the qualified joint resolution of the other
18	House.
19	(j) Exercise of Rulemaking Powers.—This sec-
20	tion is enacted by the Congress—
21	(1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power in
22	the Senate and House of Representatives, respec-
23	tively, and as such it is deemed a part of the rules
24	of each House, respectively, but applicable only with
25	respect to the procedure to be followed in that

House in the case of a qualified joint resolution, and
 it supersedes other rules only to the extent that it
 is inconsistent with such rules; and

4 (2) with full recognition of the constitutional
5 right of either House to change the rules (so far as
6 relating to the procedure of that House) at any time,
7 in the same manner and to the same extent as in
8 the case of any other rule of that House.

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