

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-7

OFFERED BY MR. ARRINGTON OF TEXAS

Page 617, insert after line 2 the following new subtitle (and redesignate the succeeding subtitle accordingly):

1 **Subtitle E—Ensuring Timely Com-**
2 **pletion of Budget Resolution**
3 **and Appropriations Bills**

4 **SEC. 9401. FAILURE TO COMPLETE CERTAIN BUDGETARY**
5 **ACTIONS BY A DATE CERTAIN.**

6 Section 303 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974
7 (2 U.S.C. 634) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
8 lowing new subsection:

9 “(d) FAILURE TO ADOPT CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
10 ON THE BUDGET BY A DATE CERTAIN.—(1) If by April
11 15 of each calendar year, the House of Representatives
12 and the Senate have not adopted a concurrent resolution
13 on the budget as required by section 301(a) of the Con-
14 gressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974,
15 beginning on the next calendar day, and on every other
16 calendar day thereafter until adoption of a concurrent res-
17 olution on the budget, Members shall record their presence
18 by electronic device for purposes of establishing a quorum.

1 In the House of Representatives, during the period de-
2 scribed in this subsection, a motion to adjourn to a day
3 and time certain offered pursuant to clause 4(c)(1)(B) of
4 rule XVI of the Rules of the House of Representatives
5 may not require the House to stand adjourned for more
6 than one calendar day.

7 “(2) For the purposes of this subsection, a ‘calendar
8 day’ shall exclude Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holi-
9 days.”.

10 **SEC. 9402. COMPLETION OF HOUSE ACTION ON REGULAR**
11 **APPROPRIATION BILLS.**

12 (a) RECESSES.—Section 309 of the Congressional
13 Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 640) is amended by insert-
14 ing “(a) RECESSES.—” after 309. and by inserting “or
15 August” after “July”.

16 (b) PASSAGE OF GENERAL APPROPRIATION BILLS.—
17 Section 309 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2
18 U.S.C. 640) (as amended by subsection (a)) is further
19 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
20 section:

21 “(b) PASSAGE OF GENERAL APPROPRIATION
22 BILLS.—(1) If by the last day of each fiscal year, the
23 House of Representatives and the Senate have not passed
24 each of the general appropriation bills, individually or a
25 combination thereof, beginning on the next calendar day,

1 and on every other calendar day thereafter until the pas-
2 sage of all general appropriation bills, individually or a
3 combination thereof, Members shall record their presence
4 by electronic device for purposes of establishing a quorum.
5 In the House of Representatives, during the period de-
6 scribed in this subsection, a motion to adjourn to a day
7 and time certain offered pursuant to clause 4(e)(1)(B) of
8 rule XVI may not require the House to stand adjourned
9 for more than one calendar day.

10 “(2) For the purposes of this subsection, a ‘calendar
11 day’ shall exclude Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holi-
12 days.”.

