

H. Res. __

H.R. 444 - Require a PLAN Act

1. Structured rule.
2. Provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget or their respective designees.
3. Waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.
4. Provides that the bill shall be considered as read.
5. Waives all points of order against provisions in the bill.
6. Makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such 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 considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question.
7. Waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report.
8. Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 444) to require that, if the President's fiscal year 2014 budget does not achieve balance in a fiscal year covered by such budget, the President shall submit a supplemental unified budget by April 1, 2013, which identifies a fiscal year in which balance is achieved, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived.

General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided among and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget or their respective designees. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived. No amendment to the bill shall be in order except those printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each such 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 considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, 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. All points of order against such amendments are waived. 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 adopted. 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.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS PROPOSED TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	# Description	Debate Time
1. Takano, Mark (CA)	#5 Makes changes to the findings section, clarifying that Congress holds responsibility for passing budgets and appropriating funds.	(10 minutes)
2. Schrader (OR), Wolf (VA), Cooper (TN), Gibson (NY)	#2 Adds findings stating Simpson-Bowles created a balanced package of revenue and spending reforms which should form the basis for meeting the requirements of this act.	(10 minutes)
3. Fleming (LA)	#1 Requires one of the additional policies presented in the supplemental budget to be an evaluation of duplicative agencies and proposals to consolidate them for cost-savings.	(10 minutes)
4. Messer, Luke (IN)	#4 Requires the supplemental unified budget to include the cost, per taxpayer, of the annual deficit for each year in which such budget is projected to result in a deficit.	(10 minutes)
5. Scalise (LA)	#13 (LATE) Mirrors the House-passed Rules package by requiring the President's budget proposal to include a	(10 minutes)

category for Means-Tested Direct Spending and Nonmeans-Tested Direct Spending, including average growth for each category.