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H.R. 1599 - Safe and Accurate Food Labeling Act of 2015

H.R. 1734 - Improving Coal Combustion Residuals Regulation Act of 2015

1. Structured rule for H.R. 1599.
2. Provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce.
3. Waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.
4. Makes in order as original text for purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114-24, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report, and provides that it shall be considered as read.
5. Waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute.
6. Makes in order only those further amendments printed in part B of 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 part B of the report.
8. Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.
9. Structured rule for H.R. 1734.
10. Provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce.
11. Waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.
12. Provides that the bill shall be considered as read.

13. Waives all points of order against provisions in the bill.
14. Makes in order only those amendments printed in part C of 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.
15. Waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part C of the report.
16. Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That at any time after 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. 1599) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to food produced from, containing, or consisting of a bioengineered organism, the labeling of natural foods, 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 and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. In lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Agriculture now printed in the bill, it shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114-24 modified by the amendment printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. That amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived. No amendment to that amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules. 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. 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 amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text. 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.

Sec. 2. At any time after 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. 1734) to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to encourage recovery and beneficial use of coal combustion residuals and establish requirements for the proper management and disposal of coal combustion residuals that are protective of human health and the environment. 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 and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. 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 part C of 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 AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1599 IN PART A PROPOSED TO BE
CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED**

Sponsor	# Description
Pompeo (KS)	#1 (REVISED) MANAGER’S Makes technical and conforming changes to text of the legislation and includes revisions to the operative sections of the bill to make it abundantly clear that the preemption applies only to the sale of GE plants for use in food. Further clarifies that it is not the intent that livestock fed GE feed are themselves GE, that the due process rights of GE/Non-GE marketing program participants are included for clarification, and further clarifies that the marketing program is designed to be voluntary and that funding for the bill is subject to appropriations.

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 1599 IN PART B PROPOSED TO BE
MADE IN ORDER**

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	# Description	Debate Time
1. DeFazio (OR)	#10 Establishes that if a U.S. company or their subsidiary labels their product as containing GMOs in any foreign country they must label the equivalent product the same way in the U.S.	(10 minutes)
2. Huffman (CA), Polis (CO), McCollum (MN), Grijalva (AZ), Ruiz (CA)	#14 (LATE) Ensures tribal sovereignty to prohibit or restrict the cultivation of genetically engineered plants on tribal lands.	(10 minutes)
3. DeLauro (CT)	#2 Prohibits the use of the term “natural” on food when a food consists of a genetically engineered plant.	(10 minutes)

4. Pingree (ME), DeFazio (OR), Polis (CO) #7 **SUBSTITUTE** Strikes the entire bill and adds back the section that creates a non-GMO certification program and label at USDA. (20 minutes)

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 1734 IN PART C PROPOSED TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	# Description	Debate Time
1. Shimkus (IL)	#1 (REVISED) MANAGER’S Updates the reference to the final rule and instead of referencing the date it was signed by the Administrator it inserts the date the final rule was published in the Federal Register.	(10 minutes)
2. Pallone (NJ)	#3 Preserves transparency requirements in EPA’s final coal ash rule to ensure public access to information and accountability.	(10 minutes)
3. Castor (FL)	#6 (LATE) Preserves cleanup requirements in EPA’s final coal ash rule to protect public health and ensure that air and groundwater pollution is addressed quickly and effectively.	(10 minutes)
4. Connolly (VA)	#2 (REVISED) Requires all inactive surface impoundments follow post-closure groundwater monitoring standards pursuant to section 257.104 subsections (b) and (c) of title 40, Code of Federal Regulations.	(10 minutes)
5. Adams (NC)	#4 Requires the owner or operator of a coal combustion residuals surface impoundment to survey all drinking water supply wells that are within a half mile and down-gradient of the established waste boundary. Also requires the owner or operator of a coal combustion residuals surface impoundment to supply an alternative source of safe drinking water within 24 hours if well water sampling exceeds groundwater standards.	(10 minutes)

6. Butterfield (NC), Rush (IL), Clarke (NY), Price, David (NC), Adams (NC)

#5 Allows the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to prevent the legislation from going into effect if it is determined to have a negative impact on vulnerable populations. Vulnerable populations include infants, children, adolescents, pregnant women, the elderly, individuals with preexisting medical conditions, individuals who work at coal combustion residuals treatment or disposal facilities, members of any other appropriate population identified by the Administrator based on consideration of socioeconomic status, racial or ethnic background, or other similar factors identified by the Administrator.

(10 minutes)