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H. Res. ____

H.R. 8 - Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019 **H.R. 1112 - Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2019**

1. Structured rule for H.R. 8.
2. Provides one hour of general debate on the bill equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary.
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 116-5 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 amendments printed in part A 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 A of the report.
8. Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.
9. Structured rule for H.R. 1112.
10. Provides one hour of general debate on the bill equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary.
11. Waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.
12. Provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116-6 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read.
13. Waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended.
14. 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.

15. Waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part B 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. 8) to require a background check for every firearm sale. 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 the Judiciary. 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 the Judiciary 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 116-5. 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 A 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. 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. 1112) to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to strengthen the background check procedures to be followed before a Federal firearms licensee may transfer a firearm to a person who is not such a licensee. 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

amendments specified in this section and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. 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 the Judiciary now printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116-6 shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment under the five-minute rule and shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. No further amendment to the bill, as amended, shall be in order except those printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each such further 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 further amendments are waived. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill, as amended, to the House with such further amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, and on any further amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS IN PART A PROPOSED TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	# Description	Debate Time
1. Lesko (AZ)	#15 Allows the transfer of firearms to individuals who participate in the TSA Pre-Check program of the Department of Homeland Security.	(10 minutes)
2. Dean (PA)	#27 Clarifies that the exemption from the background check requirement in instances of imminent threats of death or great bodily harm would apply to someone who is at risk of committing suicide.	(10 minutes)
3. Horn (OK), Murphy (FL)	#47 (LATE) Clarifies that "great bodily harm" includes domestic violence, dating partner violence, sexual assault, stalking, and domestic abuse.	(10 minutes)
4. Van Drew (NJ), Brindisi (NY), Delgado (NY)	#30 Clarifies that the exception for gifts and loans of firearms between parents and their children applies to step-parents and step-children.	(10 minutes)

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS IN PART B PROPOSED TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	# Description	Debate Time
1. Rice, Tom (SC)	#5 (REVISED) Grants NICS examiners access to the National Data Exchange (N-DEx) when reviewing firearm transfers.	(10 minutes)
2. Schneider (IL), Jackson Lee (TX)	#8 Requires the FBI to report on the number of petitions it was not able to make a determination on within the 10-day period.	(10 minutes)
3. Levin, Andy (MI)	#10 (LATE) (REVISED) Requires GAO to submit a report to the Committee on the Judiciary, US Senate, and the Committee on the Judiciary, House of Representatives analyzing the extent to which the new Section 922(t)(1)(B)(ii) of title 18, United States Code, added by H.R. 1112 prevents firearms from being transferred to prohibited persons. The report shall be issued 90 days after the 1 year, 3 years, and 5 years following the date of implementation of the law.	(10 minutes)
4. Porter (CA), Moore (WI), Dean (PA), Fletcher (TX), Sherrill (NJ), Spanberger (VA), Underwood (IL), McBath (GA)	#15 (LATE) Requires a report analyzing the impact of this Act on the safety of victims of domestic violence, domestic abuse, dating partner violence, sexual assault, and stalking.	(10 minutes)
5. Van Drew (NJ), Cunningham (SC)	#13 (LATE) Allows an FFL who has contacted NICS, and who was not notified that the transfer is legally permissible within 3 business days of the initial date of contact, to rely on information provided by NICS respecting a transfer for 25 days after the transfer becomes legally permissible.	(10 minutes)