

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3521
OFFERED BY MR. DREIER OF CALIFORNIA

Page 7, strike line 7 and all that follows through
page 12, line 17 and insert:

1 “PROCEDURES FOR EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION

2 “SEC. 1013. (a) EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION.—

3 “(1) INTRODUCTION OF APPROVAL BILL.—The
4 majority leader of each House or a designee shall
5 (by request) introduce an approval bill as defined in
6 section 1015 not later than the fifth day of session
7 of that House after the date of receipt of a special
8 message transmitted to the Congress under section
9 1011(b).

10 “(2) CONSIDERATION IN THE HOUSE OF REP-
11 RESENTATIVES.—

12 “(A) REFERRAL AND REPORTING.—Any
13 committee of the House of Representatives to
14 which an approval bill is referred shall report it
15 to the House without amendment not later than
16 the fifth legislative day after the date of its in-
17 troduction. If a committee fails to report the
18 bill within that period or the House has adopt-
19 ed a concurrent resolution providing for ad-

1 journalment sine die at the end of a Congress,
2 such committee shall be automatically dis-
3 charged from further consideration of the bill
4 and it shall be placed on the appropriate cal-
5 endar.

6 “(B) PROCEEDING TO CONSIDERATION.—

7 Not later than 5 legislative days after the ap-
8 proval bill is reported or a committee has been
9 discharged from further consideration thereof,
10 it shall be in order to move to proceed to con-
11 sider the approval bill in the House. Such a mo-
12 tion shall be in order only at a time designated
13 by the Speaker in the legislative schedule within
14 two legislative days after the day on which the
15 proponent announces an intention to the House
16 to offer the motion provided that such notice
17 may not be given until the approval bill is re-
18 ported or a committee has been discharged
19 from further consideration thereof. Such a mo-
20 tion shall not be in order after the House has
21 disposed of a motion to proceed with respect to
22 that special message. The previous question
23 shall be considered as ordered on the motion to
24 its adoption without intervening motion. A mo-

1 tion to reconsider the vote by which the motion
2 is disposed of shall not be in order.

3 “(C) CONSIDERATION.—If the motion to
4 proceed is agreed to, the House shall imme-
5 diately proceed to consider the approval bill in
6 the House without intervening motion. The ap-
7 proval bill shall be considered as read. All
8 points of order against the approval bill and
9 against its consideration are waived. The pre-
10 vious question shall be considered as ordered on
11 the approval bill to its passage without inter-
12 vening motion except 2 hours of debate equally
13 divided and controlled by the proponent and an
14 opponent and one motion to limit debate on the
15 bill. A motion to reconsider the vote on passage
16 of the approval bill shall not be in order.

17 “(3) CONSIDERATION IN THE SENATE.—

18 “(A) REFERRAL.—The approval bill intro-
19 duced in the Senate shall be referred to the
20 committees having jurisdiction over the provi-
21 sions of law contained in the approval bill.

22 “(B) COMMITTEE ACTION.—Each com-
23 mittee of referral of the Senate shall report
24 without amendment the approval bill referred to
25 it under this subsection not later than the fifth

1 session day after introduction. If a committee
2 fails to report the approval bill within that pe-
3 riod or the Senate has adopted a concurrent
4 resolution providing for adjournment sine die at
5 the end of a Congress, the Committee shall be
6 automatically discharged from further consider-
7 ation of the approval bill and it shall be placed
8 on the appropriate calendar.

9 “(C) MOTION TO PROCEED.—Not later
10 than 5 session days after the approval bill is re-
11 ported in the Senate or committees have been
12 discharged thereof, it shall be in order for any
13 Senator to move to proceed to consider the ap-
14 proval bill in the Senate. The motion shall be
15 decided without debate and the motion to re-
16 consider shall be deemed to have been laid on
17 the table. Such a motion shall not be in order
18 after the Senate has disposed of a prior motion
19 to proceed with respect to the approval bill.

20 “(D) CONSIDERATION.—If a motion to
21 proceed to the consideration of the approval bill
22 is agreed to, the Senate shall immediately pro-
23 ceed to consideration of the approval bill with-
24 out intervening motion, order, or other busi-
25 ness, and the approval bill shall remain the un-

1 finished business of the Senate until disposed
2 of. Consideration on the bill in the Senate
3 under this subsection, and all debatable motions
4 and appeals in connection therewith, shall not
5 exceed 10 hours. All points of order against the
6 approval bill or its consideration are waived.
7 Consideration in the Senate on any debatable
8 motion or appeal in connection with the ap-
9 proval bill shall be limited to not more than 1
10 hour. A motion to postpone, or a motion to pro-
11 ceed to the consideration of other business, or
12 a motion to recommit the approval bill is not in
13 order. A motion to reconsider the vote by which
14 the approval bill is agreed to or disagreed to is
15 not in order.

16 “(4) AMENDMENTS PROHIBITED.—No amend-
17 ment to, or motion to strike a provision from, an ap-
18 proval bill considered under this section shall be in
19 order in either the Senate or the House of Rep-
20 resentatives.

21 “(5) COORDINATION WITH ACTION BY OTHER
22 HOUSE.—

23 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If, before passing the
24 approval bill, one House receives from the other
25 a bill—

1 “(i) the approval bill of the other
2 House shall not be referred to a com-
3 mittee; and

4 “(ii) the procedure in the receiving
5 House shall be the same as if no approval
6 bill had been received from the other
7 House until the vote on passage, when the
8 bill received from the other House shall
9 supplant the approval bill of the receiving
10 House.

11 “(B) This paragraph shall not apply to the
12 House of Representatives if the approval bill re-
13 ceived from the Senate is a revenue measure or
14 an appropriation measure.

15 “(b) LIMITATION.—Subsection (a) shall apply only to
16 an approval bill introduced pursuant to subsection (a)(1).

17 “(c) CBO ESTIMATE.—Upon receipt of a special
18 message under section 1101 proposing to rescind all or
19 part of any dollar amount, CBO shall prepare and submit
20 to the appropriate committees of the House of Representa-
21 tives and the Senate an estimate of the reduction in budg-
22 et authority which would result from the enactment of the
23 proposed recisions.”.

Page 14, line 7, strike “The” and insert “Except as
used in section 1013, the”.

