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H.R. 2117 - Protecting Academic Freedom in Higher Education Act

- 1. Structured rule.
- Provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce.
- 3. Waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.
- 4. Provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as original text for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read.
- 5. Waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.
- 6. Makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the 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.
- 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. 2117) to prohibit the Department of Education from overreaching into academic affairs and program eligibility under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965. 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 Education and the Workforce. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill. The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived. No amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute 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. 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 committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. 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. Grijalva, Raul (AZ)	#8 (LATE) (REVISED) Would retain the requirement that states have a process to hear and take appropriate action or student complaints regarding institutions as part of the state authorization.	(10 minutes)
2. Foxx (NC)	#3 Would repeal a section of the credit hour regulation impacting clock hour programs.	(10 minutes)

3. Polis (CO)	#6 Would link state authorization regulations to student outcomes.	(10 minutes)
4. Bishop, Tim (NY)	#2 Would strike the prohibition on the Secretary of Education from ever promulgating or enforcing any regulation or rule defining the term "credit hour."	
5. Polis (CO)	#7 (LATE) (REVISED) Would require the Secretary to present a plan to prevent waste, fraud and abuse to ensure effective use of taxpayer dollars.	(10 minutes)