

McGovern / Sessions
VU

111th Congress
2d Session

H. Res. ____

**Senate amendment to H.R. 3082 - Military Construction and Veterans Affairs
Appropriations Act, 2010 (Full-Year FY11 CR and Food Safety)**

1. Provides for the consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 3082.
2. Makes in order a motion by the chair of the Committee on Appropriations that the House concur in the Senate amendment with the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution.
3. Provides one hour of debate on the motion, with 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations and 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce.
4. Waives all points of order against consideration of the motion.
5. Provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 3082) making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes, with the Senate amendment thereto, and to consider in the House, without intervention of any point of order, a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment with the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. The Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The motion shall be debatable for one hour, with 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations and 20 minutes

equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption without intervening motion.

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENT

The House amendment freezes FY 2011 discretionary appropriations at the FY 2010 level; providing \$45.9 billion less than the President requested for the year. Within that ceiling, the resolution adjusts funding between programs and accounts to deal with current demands and workloads and avoid furloughs. Overall, the resolution includes \$513 billion for the Department of Defense, \$4.9 billion above 2010; \$75.2 billion for military construction and veterans, \$1.4 billion below 2010; and \$501.4 billion for all other appropriations, \$3.5 billion below 2010. It also includes \$159 billion for the war, as the President requested; prohibits funding for Congressional earmarks; freezes non-military Federal pay for two years, as requested by the President; and allows fee-funded programs to continue to be financed from fees.

The FDA Food Safety and Modernization Act grants the Food and Drug Administration authorities it needs to better oversee the safety of the nation's food supply. The bill includes expanded authority for FDA to inspect records relating to food, and requires FDA to increase inspections of high-risk food facilities. In addition, it provides for the creation of a more accurate registry of all food facilities serving American consumers, improved traceability of the history of food in the event of a foodborne illness outbreak, certification of certain foreign food imports as meeting all U.S. food safety requirements, and protection for whistleblowers that bring attention to important food safety information.