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14. Minority or additional views are printed only if they have been signed by the authoring congressperson.



[Sample of excerpt]

In *Palmer v. Mass.*, decided in 1939, which involved the reorganization of the New Haven Railroad, the Supreme Court said:

The judicial processes in bankruptcy proceedings under section 77 are, as it were, brigaded with the administrative processes of the Commission.



[Sample of an excerpt with an added excerpt]

The Interstate Commerce Commission in its report dated February 29, 1956, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, states that it has no objection to the enactment of S. 3025, and states, in part, as follows:

The proposed amendment, however, should be considered together with the provisions of section 959(b), title 28, United States Code, which reads as follows:

“A trustee, receiver, or manager appointed in any cause pending in any court of the United States,” etc.



[Sample of amendment]

On page 6, line 3, strike the words “and the service”, strike all of lines 4, 5, and 6, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the service credit authorized by this clause 3 of rule XIII of the Rule of the House of Representatives, change shall not—

(A) be included in establishing eligibility for voluntary or involuntary retirement or separation from the service, under any provision of law;

[Sample of amendment]

The amendments are indicated in the bill as reported and are as follows:

On page 2, line 15, change the period to a colon and add the following:

Provided, That such approaches shall include only those necessary portions of streets, avenues, and boulevards, etc.

On page 3, line 12, after “operated”, insert “free of tolls”.

[Sample of amendment in the nature of a substitute]

The amendment is as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

That the second paragraph under the heading “National Park Service” in the Act of July 31, 1953 (67 Stat. 261, 271), is amended to read as follows: “The Secretary of the Interior shall hereafter report in detail all proposed awards of concessions leases and contracts involving a gross annual business of \$100,000 or more, or of more than five years in duration, including renewals thereof, sixty days before such awards are made, to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives for transmission to the appropriate committees.”

[Sample of letter inserted in report]

The Department of Defense recommends enactment of the proposed legislation and the Office of Management and Budget interposes no objection as indicated by the following attached letter, which is hereby made a part of this report:

MARCH 21, 2008.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

MY DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: There is forwarded herewith a draft of legisla-
tion to amend section 303 of the Career Compensation Act.

* * * * *

Sincerely yours,

DOUGLAS A. BROOK,
Assistant Secretary of the Navy
(Financial Management).



[Sample of cut-in for purposes of breakdown; no spacing above or below]

Under uniform regulations prescribed by the Secretaries concerned, a
member of the uniformed services who—

(1) is retired for physical disability or placed upon the tem-
porary disability retired list; or

(2) is retired with pay for any other reason, or is discharged with
severance pay, immediately following at least eight years of con-
tinuous active duty (no single break therein of more than ninety
days);

may select his home for the purposes of the travel and transportation allow-
ances payable under this subsection, etc.



[Sample of leaderwork]

Among the 73 vessels mentioned above, 42 are classified as major combat-
ant ships (aircraft carriers through escort vessels), in the following types:

<i>Forrestal</i> -class aircraft carriers.....	4
Destroyers.....	10
* * * * *	
Guided-missile submarine.....	1
Total.....	<u>42</u>

[Sample of sectional analysis]

SECTIONAL ANALYSIS

Section 1. Increase of 1 year in constructive service for promotion purposes

The principal purpose of the various subsections of section 1 is to provide a 1-year increase for medical and dental officers in * * *

* * * * *

Subsection 101(a) is in effect a restatement of the existing law

This subsection authorizes the President to make regular appointments in the grade of first lieutenant through * * *

* * * * *



[Sample of amendment under Ramseyer rule]

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with clause 3 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill, as introduced, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italic, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

EXPORT CONTROL ACT OF 1949

* * * * *

TERMINATION DATE

SEC. 12. The authority granted herein shall terminate on June 30, [1956] 1959, or upon any prior date which the Congress by concurrent resolution or the President may designate.

[The following examples are for sample purposes only]

[Sample of "Report" Skeleton]

110TH CONGRESS } 2d Session }	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES	{ REPT. 110-542 { Part 1
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PROVIDING FOR AND APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT OF
 CERTAIN LAND CLAIMS OF THE SAULT STE. MARIE
 TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS ¹

 MARCH 6, 2008.—Ordered to be printed ²

Mr. RAHALL, from the Committee on Natural Resources,
 submitted the following

R E P O R T

together with

DISSENTING VIEWS

[To accompany H.R. 4115]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Natural Resources, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 4115) to provide for and approve the settlement of certain land claims of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with an amendment and recommend that the bill as amended do pass.³

PURPOSE OF THE BILL ⁴

The purpose of H.R. 4115 is to provide for and approve the settlement of certain land claims of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

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⁴ For *Senate Committee on Finance* and *House Committee on Ways and Means*, heads are set in bold caps.

[Sample of "Report" Skeleton]

Calendar No. 652¹

110TH CONGRESS }
2d Session }

SENATE

{ REPORT
{ 110-300

CIVIL WAR BATTLEFIELD PRESERVATION ACT OF 2008

APRIL 10, 2008.—Ordered to be printed

Filed under authority of the order of the Senate of April 10
(legislative day, April 9), 2008²

Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources, submitted the following

R E P O R T

together with

ADDITIONAL VIEWS

[To accompany S. 1921]

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to which was referred the bill (S. 1921) to amend the American Battlefield Protection Act of 1996 to extend the authorization for that Act, and for other purposes, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon with an amendment and recommends that the bill, as amended, do pass.

PURPOSE

The purpose of S. 1921 is to reauthorize the American Battlefield Protection Act for an additional five years, from 2008 until 2013.

BACKGROUND AND NEED

The American Battlefield Protection Program was authorized in 1996 to provide funding for preservation of threatened Civil War battlefields. The program leverages Federal appropriations by requiring matching non-Federal funds. The battlefield protection

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²Style for filed line, if present.

[Sample of "Report" Skeleton]

110TH CONGRESS } 2d Session }	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES {	{ REPORT 110-590
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PROVIDING¹ FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 5715) TO ENSURE CONTINUED AVAILABILITY OF ACCESS TO THE FEDERAL STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES²

APRIL 15, 2008.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Ms. CASTOR, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 1107]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 1107, by a record vote of 8-4, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 5715, the Ensuring Continued Access to Student Loans Act of 2008, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and Labor. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment printed in Part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted and that the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill, as amended. (This waiver does not affect the point of order available under clause 9 of rule XXI (regarding earmark disclosure).

The rule provides that no further amendments to the bill, as amended, shall be in order except those amendments printed in Part B of this report. The further amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in this report, may be offered only by a Member designated in this report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in this report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not

¹ If copy reads "To make" change to "Making", "To provide" change to "Providing", "To amend" change to "Amending".

² Sample of 8-point head.

110TH CONGRESS } <i>1st Session</i> }	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES {	REPORT 110-317
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COLLEGE COST REDUCTION AND ACCESS ACT

SEPTEMBER 6, 2007.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, from the committee of
conference, submitted the following

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 2669]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2669), to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 601 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2008, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; REFERENCES.

(a) *SHORT TITLE.*—*This Act may be cited as the “College Cost Reduction and Access Act”.*

(b) *REFERENCES.*—*Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.).*

(c) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—*Except as otherwise expressly provided, the amendments made by this Act shall be effective on October 1, 2007.*

JOINT EXPLANATORY STATEMENT OF THE COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE

The managers on the part of the House and the Senate at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2669), to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 601 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2008, submit the following joint statement to the House and the Senate in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon by the managers and recommended in the accompanying conference report:

The Senate amendment struck all of the House bill after the enacting clause and inserted a substitute text.

The House recedes from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate with an amendment that is a substitute for the House bill and the Senate amendment. The differences between the House bill, the Senate amendment, and the substitute agreed to in conference are noted below, except for clerical corrections, conforming changes made necessary by agreements reached by the conferees, and minor drafting and clarifying changes.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE

The House bill's short title is the "College Cost Reduction Act."

The Senate amendment provides that the Act may be cited as the "Higher Education Access Act of 2007" and that, unless otherwise indicated, references in the bill are made to the Higher Education Act of 1965.

The House recedes with an amendment to provide a new short title of the "College Cost Reduction and Access Act." The Conferees adopt the Senate amendment as amended by the House.

TITLE I—GRANTS TO STUDENTS IN ATTENDANCE AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

SECTION 101. TUITION SENSITIVITY

The House bill (Sec. 101) eliminates the Pell grant "tuition sensitivity" provision that prevents low-income students attending low-cost institutions, such as community colleges, to benefit fully from the Pell Grant. Authorizes and appropriates \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2008.

The Senate amendment (Sec. 101) also eliminates the Pell grant "tuition sensitivity" provision and authorizes and appropriates \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2008.

The House and the Senate recede with an amendment to authorize and appropriate \$11,000,000 for fiscal year 2008 to ensure that all eligible students in award year 2007–2008 receive funding. The Conferees concur and adopt the amendment.

COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XXI

Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, this conference report contains no congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9(d), 9(e), or 9(f) of rule XXI.

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**FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL
GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2009**

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BEFORE A

SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

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NOTE: Under Committee Rules, Mr. Obey, as Chairman of the Full Committee, and Mr. Lewis, as Ranking
Minority Member of the Full Committee, are authorized to sit as Members of all Subcommittees.

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[House Appropriation Hearing sample]

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2009**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2008.

**IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT: IDENTIFICATION AND
REMOVAL OF CRIMINAL ALIENS, STUDENT AND EX-
CHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM FEE INCREASES**

WITNESSES

**CATHERYN COTTEN, DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL OFFICE, DUKE UNI-
VERSITY**

**JULIE L. MYERS, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, U.S. IMMIGRATION AND
CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT [ICE], DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SEC-
URITY**

Mr. PRICE. Subcommittee will come to order. Good morning, ev-
eryone. Today we will be discussing the wide variety of activities
carried out by Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE, and
we will first focus on the Agency’s Student and Exchange Visitor
Program.

BALANCING SECURITY AND STUDENT NEEDS

Mr. PRICE. Thank you very much. We will put your entire state-
ment in the record, which of course elaborates on the points you
made and goes beyond them. Let me ask you first a rather broad
question, and then I will zero in somewhat on the fee increases and
the benefits that might accrue from an increased flow of fee re-
venue.

[Note style for questions and answers]

Question. What percentage of cases presented to prosecutors along the Southwest
border are prosecuted? Provide by sector and/or state. What was the prosecution
rate of criminals picked up off the street? (Culberson)

Answer. ICE does not track prosecutions, however, ICE works closely with U.S.
Attorneys and state and local prosecutors nationwide on a wide variety of cases.

FY2007 SAC office	Criminal arrests	Indictments	Convictions*
El Paso, TX	2,435	1,882	1,704
Phoenix, AZ	1,641	623	770
San Antonio, TX	1,588	1,172	1,155
San Diego, CA	2,318	1,147	1,842
Fiscal Year Total	7,982	4,824	5,471

*Indictments and convictions may be comprised of arrests from previous years.

Mr. CULBERSON. Okay.

[Standard Hearing sample]

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ON ADOPTION
OF COMMITTEE RULES; CONSIDERATION OF
INTERIM REPORT; AND HEARING ON VOT-
ING IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2007

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
SELECT COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE VOTING
IRREGULARITIES OF AUGUST 2, 2007,
Washington, DC.

The committee met, pursuant to call, at 9:11 a.m., in Room H-313, The Capitol, Hon. William D. Delahunt (Chairman of the committee) presiding.

Present: Representatives Delahunt, Davis, Herseth Sandlin, Pence, LaTourette and Hulshof.

The CHAIRMAN. A quorum being present, the select committee will come to order.

Today we are meeting to do three tasks: adopt our committee rules, adopt the internal report, and to hear for the first time—of what we expect to be multiple occasions—from the Office of the House Clerk. We will wait for the gentlelady from South Dakota, who was at her other select committee.

I now recognize myself for 5 minutes to make an opening statement, but before I do, let me note I will then go to Congressman Pence as the Ranking Member. And in subsequent hearings, it would be our hope that just he and I would make opening statements. But on this initial hearing, any member of the panel that wishes to make an opening statement is most welcome.

I would be remiss not to begin by thanking the Chair of the House Rules Committee, Louise Slaughter, and the Ranking Member, David Dreier, for making their hearing room available to the select committee.

I also want to welcome everyone to this initial meeting of the select committee that has been mandated by the House to review roll call No. 814. I would note that none of the Members sought this particular assignment, but each of us appreciates the role and the significance of the House in our unique constitutional order, and recognize that the integrity of the system by which we cast our votes on the House floor is essential to the confidence that the American people have in this institution, aptly described as the people's House.