INSTANCES IN WHICH HOUSE HAS SELF-EXECUTED FINAL ACTION ON LEGISLATION, THEREBY SENDING THE MEASURE TO THE PRESIDENT

Congress/Party	Year	Date	Bill No.	Subject	Rule No.	Effect
73rd (D)	1933	3/16/33	H.R. 2820	U.S.	H. Res. 63	Agree to Senate
				Creditworthiness		Amendments
80th (R)	1948	3/24/48	H.R. 4790	Tax Cuts	H. Res. 510	Agree to Senate
						Amendments
103rd (D)	1993	2/4/93	H.R. 1	Family Medical	H. Res. 71	Agree to Senate
				Leave		Amendments
104th (R)	1996	3/28/96	S. 4	Line Item Veto	H. Res. 391	Agree to
						Conference Report
109th (R)	2006	2/1/06	S. 1932	Deficit	H. Res. 653	Agree to Senate
				Reduction		Amendment
111th (D)	2010	2/4/10	H.J. Res. 45	Debt Limit	H. Res. 1065	Agree to Debt
						Limit Increase in
						Senate Amendment

Note: While a Rules Committee majority staff memo (March 16, 2010) cites another 15 self-executing provisions, none relate to sending a measure on to the president. Most are for self-executing the adoption of concurrent resolutions ("chaser resolutions") making technical corrections in bills already passed by both houses in the same form and awaiting final enrollment). However, those resolutions must still be cleared by the Senate before they are effective. Other instances cited are for self-executing adoption of House rules or procedural changes or, in one instance a contempt citation.

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