113th Congress

2d Session

H. Res. \_\_\_

H.R. 5078 - Waters of the United States Regulatory Overreach Protection Act of 2014

H. Res. 644 - Condemning and disapproving of the Obama administration's failure to comply with the lawful statutory requirement to notify Congress before releasing individuals detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and expressing national security concerns over the release of five Taliban leaders and the repercussions of negotiating with terrorists.

1. Structured rule for H.R. 5078.

- 2. Provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.
- 3. Waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.
- 4. Waives all points of order against provisions in the bill.
- 5. Makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. 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.
- 6. Waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report.
- 7. Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.
- 8. Closed rule for H. Res. 644.
- 9. Provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services.
- 10. Waives all points of order against consideration of the resolution.
- 11. Provides that the amendments to the resolution and the preamble recommended by the Committee on Armed Services now printed in the resolution shall be considered as adopted and the resolution, as amended,

shall be considered as read.

12. Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

## RESOLUTION

Resolved, That at any time after 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. 5078) to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States, and for other purposes. 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 Transportation and Infrastructure. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived. No amendment to the bill 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. 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.

Sec. 2. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order without intervention of any point of order to consider in the House the resolution (H. Res. 644) condemning and disapproving of the Obama administration's failure to comply with the lawful statutory requirement to notify Congress before releasing individuals detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and expressing national security concerns over the release of five Taliban leaders and the repercussions of negotiating with terrorists. The amendments to the resolution and the preamble recommended by the Committee on Armed Services now printed in the resolution shall be considered as adopted. The resolution, as amended, shall be considered as read. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution and preamble, as amended, to adoption without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services; and (2) one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

## SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 5078 PROPOSED TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	# Description	Debate Time
1. DeFazio (OR)	#3 Requires the Secretary of the Army and the Administrator of the EPA to withdraw both the proposed and interpretive rules published in April 2014, and to instead develop and issue for public comment a revised proposed rule to define Waters of the United States after consultation with States, local governments and stakeholders.	(10 minutes)
2. Bishop, Tim (NY)	#7 Provides policy provisions that the Secretary and Administrator are prohibited from including in a final rule.	(10 minutes)
3. Bishop, Tim (NY)	#5 States that provisions of the bill do not apply if it is determined implementation is likely to have an adverse impact on water quality.	(10 minutes)