

AMENDMENT TO H. RES. 5
OFFERED BY MR. TAYLOR OF TEXAS
Four-Fifths Committee, Two-Thirds Floor

Rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives is amended by adding at the end the following new clause:

1 “Advancing bills through Committee

2 “9. Whenever a bill or joint resolution, or a Senate
3 bill or joint resolution passed by the Senate and referred
4 to a House committee or committees, is cosponsored by
5 four-fifths of the members of a committee to which it is
6 referred, including at least half of the members of the ma-
7 jority party on the committee, such committee shall hold
8 a markup of such measure within forty legislative days
9 of reaching and maintaining such threshold of cosponsor-
10 ship. The committee chairs of committees of referral that
11 are not the primary committee of jurisdiction may waive
12 jurisdiction on such measure in lieu of conducting a mark-
13 up.”.

Clause 7(b) of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

1 “(6) Whenever any bill or joint resolution described
2 in clause 9 is reported by all committees to which such
3 measure is referred, it shall automatically be placed on
4 the Union Calendar. Furthermore, the Speaker must
5 bring such measure to the House floor for consideration
6 under suspension of the rules, requiring a two-thirds vote,
7 within 60 calendar days of such measure being reported
8 by all committees.”.

