PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2957, THE LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN BASIN RESTORATION ACT

MAY 2, 2000.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. Hastings of Washington, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 484]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 484, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 2957, the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Act, under an open rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

The rule waives clause 4(a) of rule XIII (requiring a three day layover of the committee report) against consideration of the bill. This waiver is necessary because the report was filed on Tuesday, May 2, and the bill may be considered as early as May 3. The rule makes in order the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure amendment in the nature of a substitute, now printed in the bill, as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, which shall be open for amendment at any point.

Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration will be given priority in recognition to offer their amendments if otherwise consistent with House rules. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote

follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

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