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Adopting the Rules of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred  
Seventeenth Congress, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HOYER submitted the following resolution

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# RESOLUTION

Adopting the Rules of the House of Representatives for  
the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress, and for other  
purposes.

1       *Resolved,*

2       **SECTION 1. ADOPTION OF THE RULES OF THE ONE HUN-**  
3                   **DRED SIXTEENTH CONGRESS.**

4           The Rules of the House of Representatives of the One  
5       Hundred Sixteenth Congress, including applicable provi-  
6       sions of law or concurrent resolution that constituted rules  
7       of the House at the end of the One Hundred Sixteenth  
8       Congress, are adopted as the Rules of the House of Rep-  
9       resentatives of the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress,

1 with amendments to the standing rules as provided in sec-  
2 tion 2, and with other orders as provided in this resolu-  
3 tion.

4 **SEC. 2. CHANGES TO THE STANDING RULES.**

5 (a) CONFORMING CHANGE.—In clause 2(i) of rule  
6 II—

7 (1) strike the designation of subparagraph (1);

8 and

9 (2) strike subparagraph (2).

10 (b) OFFICE OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION AND OF-  
11 FICE OF THE WHISTLEBLOWER OMBUDS.—

12 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—In rule II, add at the  
13 end the following new clauses:

14 **“Office of Diversity and Inclusion**

15 “9.(a) There is established an Office of Diversity and  
16 Inclusion. The Speaker, in consultation with the Minority  
17 Leader, shall appoint a Director of the Office from rec-  
18 ommendations provided by the chair of the Committee on  
19 House Administration in consultation with the ranking  
20 minority member of such committee.

21 “(b) Subject to the policy direction and oversight of  
22 the Committee on House Administration, the Office of Di-  
23 versity and Inclusion shall—

1           “(1) direct and guide House employing offices  
2           to recruit, hire, train, develop, advance, promote,  
3           and retain a diverse workforce;

4           “(2) survey and evaluate diversity in House em-  
5           ploying offices;

6           “(3) through the Director of the Office at the  
7           end of each session of Congress, submit a House of  
8           Representatives diversity report to the Speaker, the  
9           Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, the chair and  
10          ranking minority member of the Committee on  
11          House Administration, and the chair and ranking  
12          minority member of the Subcommittee on the Legis-  
13          lative Branch of the Committee on Appropriations;  
14          and

15          “(4) provide consultation and guidance in fur-  
16          therance of increasing diversity and inclusion in the  
17          House.

18          **“Office of the Whistleblower Ombuds**

19          “10.(a) There is established an Office of the Whistle-  
20          blower Ombuds. The Speaker, in consultation with the  
21          chairs and ranking minority members of the Committee  
22          on House Administration and the Committee on Oversight  
23          and Reform, shall appoint a Director of the Office.

24          “(b) Subject to the policy direction and oversight of  
25          the Committee on House Administration, and in consulta-

1 tion with any other committee (at the request of the chair  
2 or ranking minority member of such other committee), the  
3 Office of the Whistleblower Ombuds shall—

4 “(1) promulgate best practices for whistleblower  
5 intake for offices of the House; and

6 “(2) provide training for offices of the House  
7 on whistleblower intake, including establishing an ef-  
8 fective reporting system for whistleblowers, main-  
9 taining whistleblower confidentiality, advising staff  
10 of relevant laws and policies, and protecting infor-  
11 mation provided by whistleblowers.”.

12 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—In clause  
13 4(d)(1)(A) of rule X—

14 (A) strike “and the Inspector General”  
15 and insert “, the Inspector General, the Office  
16 of Diversity and Inclusion, and the Office of the  
17 Whistleblower Ombuds”; and

18 (B) strike “and Inspector General” and in-  
19 sert “Inspector General, Office of Diversity and  
20 Inclusion, and Office of the Whistleblower  
21 Ombuds”.

22 (c) CONTINUING AUTHORITY TO ACT IN LITIGATION  
23 MATTERS.—In clause 8(c) of rule II, strike “appropriate”  
24 and insert “appropriate, including, but not limited to, the  
25 issuance of subpoenas,”.

1 (d) ADMITTANCE TO THE HALL OF THE HOUSE.—

2 (1) In clause 2(a)(14) of rule IV, insert “and  
3 the Mayor of the District of Columbia” after “Terri-  
4 tories”.

5 (2) In clause 4(a) of rule IV—

6 (A) in subparagraph (2) strike “committee;  
7 or” and insert “committee;”;

8 (B) in subparagraph (3) strike the period  
9 and insert “; or”; and

10 (C) add at the end the following new sub-  
11 paragraph:

12 “(4) has been convicted by a court of record for the  
13 commission of a crime in relation to that individual’s elec-  
14 tion to, or service to, the House.”.

15 (e) GENDER-INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE.—

16 (1) In clause 1(c)(9) of rule X, strike “seamen”  
17 and insert “seafarers”.

18 (2) In clause 4(a)(1)(B) of rule X, strike  
19 “Chairman” and insert “Chair”.

20 (3) In clause 8(c)(3) of rule XXIII, strike “fa-  
21 ther, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle,  
22 aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, fa-  
23 ther-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-  
24 law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, step-  
25 mother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, step-

1 sister, half brother, half sister, grandson, or grand-  
2 daughter” and insert “parent, child, sibling, parent’s  
3 sibling, first cousin, sibling’s child, spouse, parent-  
4 in-law, child-in-law, sibling-in-law, stepparent, step-  
5 child, stepsibling, half-sibling, or grandchild”.

6 (4) In clause 10(b) of rule XXIII—

7 (A) strike “submit his or her resignation”  
8 and insert “resign”;

9 (B) strike “he or she serves” and insert  
10 “such Member, Delegate, or Resident Commis-  
11 sioner serves”; and

12 (C) strike “he or she holds” and insert  
13 “such Member, Delegate, or Resident Commis-  
14 sioner holds”.

15 (5) In clause 15(d)(2) of rule XXIII, strike “fa-  
16 ther, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, hus-  
17 band, wife, father-in-law, or mother-in-law” and in-  
18 sert “parent, child, sibling, spouse, or parent-in-  
19 law”.

20 (6) In clause 4 of rule XXVII, strike “himself  
21 or herself” and insert “themselves”.

22 (7) In rule XXIX, clause 2 is amended to read  
23 as follows:

24 “2. (Reserved.)”.

1 (f) COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES.—In clause  
2 1(c) of rule X—

3 (1) in subparagraph (1) strike “and Air Force”  
4 and insert “Marine Corps, Air Force, and Space  
5 Force”; and

6 (2) in subparagraph (13), strike “and Air  
7 Force” and insert “Air Force, and Space Force”.

8 (g) COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT PLANS.—In clause  
9 2(d)(2) of rule X—

10 (1) in subdivision (D), strike “and”;

11 (2) in subdivision (E), strike the period and in-  
12 sert “; and”; and

13 (3) add at the end the following new subdivi-  
14 sion:

15 “(F) give priority consideration to including in the  
16 plan a discussion of how the committee’s work will address  
17 issues of inequities on the basis of race, color, ethnicity,  
18 religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability,  
19 age, or national origin.”.

20 (h) PRINTING AND AVAILABILITY REQUIREMENTS.—

21 (1) In clause 6 of rule X, strike “printed” each  
22 place that it appears.

23 (2) In clause 8(b)(1)(A) of rule XXII, insert  
24 “or pursuant to clause 3 of rule XXIX” after “Con-  
25 gressional Record”.

1 (i) COMMITTEE VOTE AVAILABILITY.—In clause  
2 2(e)(1)(B) of rule XI—

3 (1) in item (i), strike “made available by the  
4 committee for inspection by the public at reasonable  
5 times in its offices and also”;

6 (2) in item (i), strike “subdivision (B)(ii)” and  
7 insert “item (ii)”; and

8 (3) in item (ii), strike “available for inspection  
9 by the public” and insert “publicly available”.

10 (j) AMENDMENT AVAILABILITY.—In clause 2(e)(6) of  
11 rule XI, insert “, or 48 hours after the disposition or with-  
12 drawal of any other amendment,” after “any amend-  
13 ment”.

14 (k) TRUTH-IN-TESTIMONY REFORM.—In clause  
15 2(g)(5) of rule XI—

16 (1) amend subdivision (B) to read as follows:

17 “(B) In the case of a witness appearing in a non-  
18 governmental capacity, a written statement of proposed  
19 testimony shall include—

20 “(i) a curriculum vitae;

21 “(ii) a disclosure of any Federal grants or con-  
22 tracts, or contracts, grants, or payments originating  
23 with a foreign government, received during the past  
24 36 months by the witness or by an entity rep-



1       resented by the witness and related to the subject  
2       matter of the hearing; and

3               “(iii) a disclosure of whether the witness is a fi-  
4       diciary (including, but not limited to, a director, of-  
5       ficer, advisor, or resident agent) of any organization  
6       or entity that has an interest in the subject matter  
7       of the hearing.”;

8               (2) in subdivision (C), strike “subdivision (B)”  
9       and insert “subdivision (B)(ii)”; and

10              (3) in subdivision (D), insert “24 hours before  
11       the witness appears to the extent practicable, but”  
12       before “not later”.

13       (1) ELECTRONIC FILING OF REPORTS AND ELEC-  
14       TRONIC SIGNATURES.—

15              (1) In clause 2(l) of rule XI, insert “(including  
16       in electronic form)” after “signed views”.

17              (2) In clause 2(a) of rule XIII—

18                      (A) in subparagraph (1), strike “subpara-  
19       graph (2)” and insert “subparagraphs (2) and  
20       (3)”; and

21                      (B) add the following new subparagraph:

22                      “(3) All reports of committees may be delivered to  
23       the Clerk in electronic form.”.

1           (3) In clause 5(b) of rule XIII, insert “, pursu-  
2           ant to clause 2(a)(3), or pursuant to clause 2(e),”  
3           after “from the floor”.

4           (4) In clause 5 of rule XXV, insert “(including  
5           in electronic form)” after “signed” each place that  
6           it appears.

7           (5) In clause 1 of rule XXVII, insert “(includ-  
8           ing in electronic form)” after “signed”.

9           (m) SUBPOENA AUTHORITY.—In clause 2(m)(3) of  
10          rule XI, add the following new subdivision:

11          “(D) Subpoenas for documents or testimony may be  
12          issued to any person or entity, whether governmental, pub-  
13          lic, or private, within the United States, including, but not  
14          limited to, the President, and the Vice President, whether  
15          current or former, in a personal or official capacity, as  
16          well as the White House, the Office of the President, the  
17          Executive Office of the President, and any individual cur-  
18          rently or formerly employed in the White House, Office  
19          of the President, or Executive Office of the President.”.

20          (n) COMMITTEE ON ETHICS.—

21                 (1) In clause 5(a)(3)(C) of rule X, insert “or  
22                 fifth” after “fourth”.

23                 (2) In clause 3 of rule XI—

1 (A) in paragraph (b)(8)(A), insert “, Dele-  
2 gate, Resident Commissioner” after “Member”  
3 each place it appears;

4 (B) in paragraph (b)(8)(B)(iii), insert “,  
5 Delegate, Resident Commissioner” after “Mem-  
6 ber”;

7 (C) in paragraph (k)(1)(A), insert “, Dele-  
8 gate, Resident Commissioner” after “Member”;

9 (D) in paragraph (m)(1)(A), insert “, Del-  
10 egates, or the Resident Commissioner” after  
11 “Members”;

12 (E) in paragraph (n), insert “, Delegate,  
13 Resident Commissioner” after “Member”; and

14 (F) in paragraph (r), insert “, Delegate,  
15 Resident Commissioner” after “Member”.

16 (o) AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDINGS.—In clause 4(b)  
17 of rule XI, strike “radio and television tapes and television  
18 film” and insert “audio and video recordings”.

19 (p) COSPONSORSHIP WITHDRAWAL.—In clause  
20 7(b)(2) of rule XII, strike the first two sentences and in-  
21 sert the following: “The name of a cosponsor of a bill or  
22 resolution may be deleted only by a demand from the floor  
23 made by the Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner  
24 whose name is to be deleted, or by a unanimous-consent  
25 request from the sponsor. The Speaker may only entertain

1 such a demand or request until the last committee author-  
2 ized to consider and report the bill or resolution reports  
3 it to the House or is discharged from its consideration.”.

4 (q) COMPARATIVE PRINTS.—In rule XXI, strike  
5 clause 12.

6 (r) REQUIRING COMMITTEE HEARING AND MARKUP  
7 ON BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.—

8 (1) In clause 3(e) of rule XIII, add the fol-  
9 lowing new subparagraph:

10 “(6)(A) On a bill or joint resolution to be considered  
11 pursuant to a special order of business reported by the  
12 Committee on Rules—

13 “(i) a list of related committee and sub-  
14 committee hearings; and

15 “(ii) a designation of at least one com-  
16 mittee or subcommittee hearing that was used  
17 to develop or consider such bill or joint resolu-  
18 tion.

19 “(B) Subdivision (A) shall not apply to a bill or joint  
20 resolution—

21 “(i) continuing appropriations for a fiscal year;  
22 or

23 “(ii) containing an emergency designation  
24 under section 251(b)(2) or section 252(e) of the Bal-

1       anced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of  
2       1985.”.

3           (2) In rule XXI, add at the end the following  
4       new clause:

5       “12.(a) It shall not be in order to consider a bill or  
6       joint resolution pursuant to a special order of business re-  
7       ported by the Committee on Rules that has not been re-  
8       ported by a committee.

9       “(b) Paragraph (a) shall not apply to a bill or joint  
10      resolution—

11           “(1) continuing appropriations for a fiscal year;

12           “(2) containing an emergency designation  
13      under section 251(b)(2) or section 252(e) of the Bal-  
14      anced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of  
15      1985;

16           “(3) designated pursuant to clause 7(a) of rule  
17      XV; or

18           “(4) not referred to committee.

19      “(c) Paragraph (a) does not apply before March 1  
20      of an odd-numbered year.”.

21      (s) MOTION TO RECOMMIT.—

22           (1) In clause 6(c) of rule XIII, strike “, includ-  
23      ing a motion to recommit with instructions to report  
24      back an amendment otherwise in order”.

25           (2) In clause 2 of rule XIX—

1 (A) in paragraph (a), strike “with or”;

2 (B) amend paragraph (b) to read as fol-  
3 lows:

4 “(b) The previous question shall be considered as or-  
5 dered on any motion to recommit (or commit, as the case  
6 may be).”; and

7 (C) strike paragraph (c).

8 (3) In clause 7(d) of rule XXII, strike “or in  
9 a motion to recommit to conference”.

10 (t) DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BUSINESS.—In rule  
11 XV—

12 (1) clause 4 is amended to read as follows:

13 “4. (Reserved.)”.

14 (2) in clause 4, strike the caption.

15 (u) TITLE AMENDMENTS.—In clause 6 of rule XVI,  
16 insert “, shall be in order only if offered by the Majority  
17 Leader or a designee,” after “adoption”.

18 (v) RECONCILIATION DIRECTIVES.—Clause 7 of rule  
19 XXI is amended to read as follows:

20 “7. (Reserved.)”.

21 (w) AVAILABILITY OF MEASURES.—In clause 11 of  
22 rule XXI, insert “the text of” before “such measure”.

23 (x) PROHIBITED SERVICE.—Clause 19(c) of rule  
24 XXIII is amended to read as follows: “A Member, Dele-  
25 gate, Resident Commissioner, officer, or employee of the

1 House shall comply with regulations issued and revised,  
2 as necessary, by the Committee on Ethics regarding types  
3 of prohibited service or positions that could lead to con-  
4 flicts of interest.”.

5 (y) CODE OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT.—In rule XXIII—

6 (1) redesignate clause 20 as clause 22; and

7 (2) insert after clause 19 the following new  
8 clauses:

9 “20. A Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner,  
10 officer, or employee of the House may not, directly or indi-  
11 rectly, take any actions to prevent any individual from or  
12 retaliate against any individual for providing truthful in-  
13 formation to the Committee on Ethics, the Office of Con-  
14 gressional Ethics, the Office of Congressional Workplace  
15 Rights, or any law enforcement official, provided that the  
16 disclosure of such information is not otherwise prohibited  
17 by law or House rules.

18 “21.(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c),  
19 a Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, officer, or  
20 employee of the House shall not knowingly and willfully  
21 disclose publicly the identity of, or personally identifiable  
22 information about, any individual who has reported allega-  
23 tions of possible wrongdoing, including retaliation, under  
24 processes and protections provided by the Civil Service Re-  
25 form Act of 1978, the Whistleblower Protection Act of

1 1989, the Intelligence Community Whistleblower Protec-  
2 tion Act of 1998, or any other Federal law that establishes  
3 the right for individuals to make protected disclosures to  
4 Congress.

5 “(b) The limitation in paragraph (a) shall not apply  
6 to any disclosure of an individual’s identity or personally  
7 identifiable information if—

8 “(1) the individual has provided express written  
9 consent prior to such disclosure;

10 “(2) the individual has already voluntarily and  
11 publicly disclosed their identity; or

12 “(3) the disclosure is by the chair of a com-  
13 mittee after an affirmative vote by two-thirds of the  
14 members of the committee that such disclosure is in  
15 the public interest.

16 “(c) Nothing in this clause shall prevent—

17 “(1) an investigation of any allegation of  
18 wrongdoing disclosed by any individual; or

19 “(2) the public disclosure of substantive infor-  
20 mation shared by any individual that is not person-  
21 ally identifiable to that individual.

22 “(d) Disclosures made pursuant to paragraph (b)(3)  
23 shall be subject to appropriate safeguards, including that  
24 the individual be provided timely advance notice if possible  
25 before their identity or any personally identifiable informa-



1 tion is disclosed prior to the vote described in paragraph  
2 (b)(3), unless such information would jeopardize the re-  
3 lated investigations. When providing such notice to the in-  
4 dividual the committee chair shall send the individual a  
5 written explanation of the reasons for the disclosure.”.

6 (z) COMMUNICATIONS STANDARDS COMMISSION.—In  
7 clause 5 of rule XXIV, strike “Commission on Congres-  
8 sional Mailing Standards” and insert “Communications  
9 Standards Commission”.

10 **SEC. 3. SEPARATE ORDERS.**

11 (a) MEMBER DAY HEARING REQUIREMENT.—Dur-  
12 ing the first session of the One Hundred Seventeenth Con-  
13 gress, each standing committee (other than the Committee  
14 on Ethics) or each subcommittee thereof (other than a  
15 subcommittee on oversight) shall hold a hearing at which  
16 it receives testimony from Members, Delegates, and the  
17 Resident Commissioner on proposed legislation within its  
18 jurisdiction, except that the Committee on Rules may hold  
19 such hearing during the second session of the One Hun-  
20 dred Seventeenth Congress.

21 (b) DEPOSITION AUTHORITY.—

22 (1) During the One Hundred Seventeenth Con-  
23 gress, the chair of a standing committee (other than  
24 the Committee on Rules), and the chair of the Per-  
25 manent Select Committee on Intelligence, upon con-

1 sultation with the ranking minority member of such  
2 committee, may order the taking of depositions, in-  
3 cluding pursuant to subpoena, by a member or coun-  
4 sel of such committee.

5 (2) Depositions taken under the authority pre-  
6 scribed in this subsection shall be subject to regula-  
7 tions issued by the chair of the Committee on Rules  
8 and printed in the Congressional Record.

9 (c) WAR POWERS RESOLUTION.—During the One  
10 Hundred Seventeenth Congress, a motion to discharge a  
11 measure introduced pursuant to section 6 or section 7 of  
12 the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1545–46) shall not  
13 be subject to a motion to table.

14 (d) EXERCISE FACILITIES FOR FORMER MEM-  
15 BERS.—During the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress—

16 (1) The House of Representatives may not pro-  
17 vide access to any exercise facility which is made  
18 available exclusively to Members and former Mem-  
19 bers, officers and former officers of the House of  
20 Representatives, and their spouses to any former  
21 Member, former officer, or spouse who is a lobbyist  
22 registered under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of  
23 1995 or any successor statute or who is an agent of  
24 a foreign principal as defined in clause 5 of rule  
25 XXV. For purposes of this subsection, the term

1 “Member” includes a Delegate or Resident Commis-  
2 sioner to the Congress.

3 (2) The Committee on House Administration  
4 shall promulgate regulations to carry out this sub-  
5 section.

6 (e) EMPANELING INVESTIGATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF  
7 THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS.—The text of House Resolu-  
8 tion 451, One Hundred Tenth Congress, shall apply in the  
9 One Hundred Seventeenth Congress in the same manner  
10 as such provision applied in the One Hundred Tenth Con-  
11 gress, except that references to the Committee on Stand-  
12 ards of Official Conduct shall be construed as references  
13 to the Committee on Ethics.

14 (f) NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS.—Any non-dis-  
15 closure agreement imposed by any employing or con-  
16 tracting authority in the House of Representatives to  
17 which a paid or unpaid employee or contractor is or was  
18 required to agree as a term of employment shall—

19 (1) provide clear guidance that the employee or  
20 contractor may communicate concerning any matter  
21 with the Committee on Ethics, the Office of Con-  
22 gressional Workplace Rights, or any other office or  
23 entity designated by the Committee on House Ad-  
24 ministration without prior, concurrent, or subse-  
25 quent notice or approval; and

1           (2) not be binding and shall have no legal effect  
2           to the extent to which it requires prior, concurrent,  
3           or subsequent notice or approval from anyone on  
4           any matter with respect to communications from an  
5           employee or contractor to any of the committees, of-  
6           fices, or entities described in paragraph (1).

7           (g) REQUIRING MEMBERS TO PAY FOR DISCRIMINA-  
8           TION SETTLEMENTS.—

9           (1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a settlement  
10          of a complaint under the Congressional Account-  
11          ability Act of 1995 in connection with a claim alleg-  
12          ing a violation described in paragraph (2) which is  
13          committed personally by a Member, Delegate, or  
14          Resident Commissioner, if the Member, Delegate, or  
15          Resident Commissioner is not required under law to  
16          reimburse the Treasury for the amount of the settle-  
17          ment, the chair and ranking minority member of the  
18          Committee on House Administration may not ap-  
19          prove the settlement pursuant to clause 4(d)(2) of  
20          rule X unless, under the terms and conditions of the  
21          settlement, the Member, Delegate, or Resident Com-  
22          missioner is required to reimburse the Treasury for  
23          the amount of the settlement.

24          (2) VIOLATIONS DESCRIBED.—A violation de-  
25          scribed in this paragraph is—

1 (A) a violation of section 201(a) or section  
2 206(a) of the Congressional Accountability Act  
3 of 1995; or

4 (B) a violation of section 207 of such Act  
5 which consists of intimidating, taking reprisal  
6 against, or otherwise discriminating against any  
7 covered employee under such Act because of a  
8 claim alleging a violation described in subpara-  
9 graph (A).

10 (h) MANDATORY ANTI-HARASSMENT AND ANTI-DIS-  
11 CRIMINATION POLICIES FOR HOUSE OFFICES.—

12 (1) REQUIRING OFFICES TO ADOPT POLICY.—

13 Each employing office of the House of Representa-  
14 tives under the Congressional Accountability Act of  
15 1995 shall adopt an anti-harassment and anti-dis-  
16 crimination policy for the office's workplace.

17 (2) REGULATIONS.—Not later than April 1,  
18 2021, the Committee on House Administration shall  
19 promulgate regulations to carry out this subsection,  
20 and shall ensure that such regulations are consistent  
21 with the requirements of the Congressional Account-  
22 ability Act of 1995, rule XXIII, and other relevant  
23 laws, rules, and regulations.

24 (i) DISPLAYING STATEMENT OF RIGHTS AND PRO-  
25 TECTIONS PROVIDED TO HOUSE EMPLOYEES.—The Com-

1 mittee on House Administration shall issue regulations to  
2 provide that each employing office of the House of Rep-  
3 resentatives shall post in a prominent location in the office  
4 (including, in the case of the office of a Member, Delegate,  
5 or the Resident Commissioner, a prominent location in  
6 each district office) a statement of the rights and protec-  
7 tions provided to employees of the House of Representa-  
8 tives under the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995,  
9 including the procedures available to employees of the  
10 House under such Act for responding to and adjudicating  
11 allegations of violations of such rights and protections.

12 (j) BROADENING AVAILABILITY AND UTILITY OF  
13 LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENTS IN MACHINE-READABLE FOR-  
14 MATS.—The Committee on House Administration, the  
15 Clerk, and other officers and officials of the House shall  
16 continue efforts to broaden the availability and utility of  
17 legislative documents in machine readable formats in the  
18 One Hundred Seventeenth Congress in furtherance of the  
19 institutional priorities of—

20 (1) improving public availability and use of leg-  
21 islative information produced by the House and its  
22 committees; and

23 (2) enabling all House staff to produce com-  
24 parative prints showing the differences between  
25 versions of legislation, how proposed legislation will

1 amend existing law, and how an amendment may  
2 change proposed legislation.

3 (k) IMPROVING THE COMMITTEE ELECTRONIC DOC-  
4 UMENT REPOSITORY.—The Clerk, the Committee on  
5 House Administration, and other officers and officials of  
6 the House shall undertake efforts to improve the electronic  
7 document repository operated by the Clerk for use by com-  
8 mittees of the House in the One Hundred Seventeenth  
9 Congress, in furtherance of the institutional priority of in-  
10 creasing public availability and identification of legislative  
11 information produced and held by House committees, in-  
12 cluding votes, amendments, and witness disclosure forms.

13 (l) INCLUSION OF CITATIONS FOR PROPOSED RE-  
14 PEALS AND AMENDMENTS.—To the maximum extent  
15 practicable and consistent with established drafting con-  
16 ventions, an instruction in a bill or joint resolution pro-  
17 posing to repeal or amend any law or part thereof not con-  
18 tained in a codified title of the United States Code shall  
19 include, in parentheses immediately following the designa-  
20 tion of the matter proposed to be repealed or amended,  
21 the applicable United States Code citation (which may be  
22 a note in the United States Code), or, if no such citation  
23 is available, an appropriate alternative citation to the ap-  
24 plicable law or part.

1 (m) PROVIDING FOR TRANSPARENCY WITH RESPECT  
2 TO MEMORIALS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE V OF  
3 THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.—With re-  
4 spect to any memorial presented under clause 3 of rule  
5 XII purporting to be an application of the legislature of  
6 a State calling for a convention for proposing amendments  
7 to the Constitution of the United States pursuant to Arti-  
8 cle V, or a rescission of any such prior application—

9 (1) the chair of the Committee on the Judiciary  
10 shall, in the case of a memorial presented in the One  
11 Hundred Fourteenth Congress or succeeding Con-  
12 gresses, and may, in the case of such a memorial  
13 presented prior to the One Hundred Fourteenth  
14 Congress, designate any such memorial for public  
15 availability by the Clerk; and

16 (2) the Clerk shall make such memorials as are  
17 designated pursuant to paragraph (1) publicly avail-  
18 able in electronic form, organized by State of origin  
19 and year of receipt, and shall indicate whether the  
20 memorial was designated as an application or a re-  
21 scission.

22 (n) SUBCOMMITTEES.—Notwithstanding clause 5(d)  
23 of rule X, during the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress  
24 the Committee on Agriculture may have not more than  
25 six subcommittees.



1           (o) CONGRESSIONAL MEMBER ORGANIZATION  
2 TRANSPARENCY REFORM.—

3           (1) PAYMENT OF SALARIES AND EXPENSES  
4 THROUGH ACCOUNT OF ORGANIZATION.—A Member  
5 of the House of Representatives and an eligible Con-  
6 gressional Member Organization may enter into an  
7 agreement under which—

8           (A) an employee of the Member's office  
9 may carry out official and representational du-  
10 ties of the Member by assignment to the Orga-  
11 nization; and

12           (B) to the extent that the employee carries  
13 out such duties under the agreement, the Mem-  
14 ber shall transfer the portion of the Members'  
15 Representational Allowance (MRA) of the Mem-  
16 ber which would otherwise be used for the sal-  
17 ary and related expenses of the employee to a  
18 dedicated account in the House of Representa-  
19 tives which is administered by the Organization,  
20 in accordance with the regulations promulgated  
21 by the Committee on House Administration  
22 under paragraph (2).

23           (2) REGULATIONS.—The Committee on House  
24 Administration (hereafter referred to in this sub-

1 section as the “Committee”) shall promulgate regu-  
2 lations as follows:

3 (A) USE OF MRA.—Pursuant to the au-  
4 thority of section 101(d) of the House of Rep-  
5 resentatives Administrative Reform Technical  
6 Corrections Act (2 U.S.C. 5341(d)), the Com-  
7 mittee shall prescribe regulations to provide  
8 that an eligible Congressional Member Organi-  
9 zation may use the amounts transferred to the  
10 Organization’s dedicated account under para-  
11 graph (1)(B) for the same purposes for which  
12 a Member of the House of Representatives may  
13 use the Members’ Representational Allowance,  
14 except that the Organization may not use such  
15 amounts for franked mail, official travel, or  
16 leases of space or vehicles.

17 (B) MAINTENANCE OF LIMITATIONS ON  
18 NUMBER OF SHARED EMPLOYEES.—Pursuant  
19 to the authority of section 104(d) of the House  
20 of Representatives Administrative Reform Tech-  
21 nical Corrections Act (2 U.S.C. 5321(d)), the  
22 Committee shall prescribe regulations to provide  
23 that an employee of the office of a Member of  
24 the House of Representatives who is covered by  
25 an agreement entered into under paragraph (1)

1           between the Member and an eligible Congres-  
2           sional Member Organization shall be considered  
3           a shared employee of the Member's office and  
4           the Organization for purposes of such section,  
5           and shall include in such regulations appro-  
6           priate accounting standards to ensure that a  
7           Member of the House of Representatives who  
8           enters into an agreement with such an Organi-  
9           zation under paragraph (1) does not employ  
10          more employees than the Member is authorized  
11          to employ under such section.

12                   (C) PARTICIPATION IN STUDENT LOAN RE-  
13           PAYMENT PROGRAM.—Pursuant to the author-  
14           ity of section 105(b) of the Legislative Branch  
15           Appropriations Act, 2003 (2 U.S.C. 4536(b)),  
16           relating to the student loan repayment program  
17           for employees of the House, the Committee  
18           shall promulgate regulations to provide that, in  
19           the case of an employee who is covered by an  
20           agreement entered into under paragraph (1) be-  
21           tween a Member of the House of Representa-  
22           tives and an eligible Congressional Member Or-  
23           ganization and who participates in such pro-  
24           gram while carrying out duties under the agree-  
25           ment—

1 (i) any funds made available for mak-  
2 ing payments under the program with re-  
3 spect to the employee shall be transferred  
4 to the Organization's dedicated account  
5 under paragraph (1)(B); and

6 (ii) the Organization shall use the  
7 funds to repay a student loan taken out by  
8 the employee, under the same terms and  
9 conditions which would apply under the  
10 program if the Organization were the em-  
11 ploying office of the employee.

12 (D) ACCESS TO HOUSE SERVICES.—The  
13 Committee shall prescribe regulations to ensure  
14 that an eligible Congressional Member Organi-  
15 zation has appropriate access to services of the  
16 House.

17 (E) OTHER REGULATIONS.—The Com-  
18 mittee shall promulgate such other regulations  
19 as may be appropriate to carry out this sub-  
20 section.

21 (3) ELIGIBLE CONGRESSIONAL MEMBER ORGA-  
22 NIZATION DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term  
23 “eligible Congressional Member Organization”  
24 means, with respect to the One Hundred Seven-

1       tenth Congress, an organization meeting each of  
2       the following requirements:

3               (A) The organization is registered as a  
4       Congressional Member Organization with the  
5       Committee on House Administration.

6               (B) The organization designates a single  
7       Member of the House of Representatives to be  
8       responsible for the administration of the organi-  
9       zation, including the administration of the ac-  
10      count administered under paragraph (1)(B),  
11      and includes the identification of such Member  
12      with the statement of organization that the or-  
13      ganization files and maintains with the Com-  
14      mittee on House Administration.

15              (C) At least 3 employees of the House are  
16      assigned to perform some work for the organi-  
17      zation.

18              (D) During the One Hundred Sixteenth  
19      Congress, at least 15 Members of the House of  
20      Representatives used a portion of the Members'  
21      Representational Allowance of the Member for  
22      the salary and related expenses of an employee  
23      who was a shared employee of the Member's of-  
24      fice and the organization.

1           (E) The organization files a statement  
2           with the Committee on House Administration  
3           and the Chief Administrative Officer of the  
4           House of Representatives certifying that it will  
5           administer an account in accordance with para-  
6           graph (1)(B).

7           (p) BUDGET MATTERS.—During the first session of  
8           the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress, pending the  
9           adoption of a concurrent resolution on the budget for fis-  
10          cal year 2021, the allocations, aggregates, and other ap-  
11          propriate levels as contained in the statement of the chair  
12          of the Committee on the Budget of the House of Rep-  
13          resentatives in the Congressional Record of May 1, 2020,  
14          as adjusted in the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress, shall  
15          be considered for all purposes in the House to be the allo-  
16          cations, aggregates, and other appropriate levels under ti-  
17          tles III and IV of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

18          (q) REISSUANCE OF SUBPOENAS PRIOR TO COM-  
19          MITTEE ORGANIZATION.—(1) The House authorizes the  
20          chair of the Committee on Oversight and Reform (when  
21          elected), on behalf of the Committee on Oversight and Re-  
22          form and until such committee has adopted rules pursuant  
23          to clause 2(a) of rule XI, to issue subpoenas related to  
24          the investigation into the accuracy and timing of the 2020  
25          decennial census and related matters.

1           (2) The House authorizes the chair of the Select Sub-  
2 committee on the Coronavirus Crisis (when designated),  
3 on behalf of the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus  
4 Crisis and until the Committee on Oversight and Reform  
5 has adopted rules pursuant to clause 2(a) of rule XI, to  
6 issue subpoenas related to the investigation into political  
7 interference in the response to the coronavirus pandemic  
8 at the Department of Health and Human Services and  
9 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and related  
10 matters.

11           (r) NUMBERING OF BILLS.—In the One Hundred  
12 Seventeenth Congress, the first 10 numbers for bills (H.R.  
13 1 through H.R. 10) shall be reserved for assignment by  
14 the Speaker and the second 10 numbers for bills (H.R.  
15 11 through H.R. 20) shall be reserved for assignment by  
16 the Minority Leader.

17           (s) REMOTE VOTING BY PROXY AND REMOTE COM-  
18 MITTEE ACTIVITY.—House Resolution 965, One Hundred  
19 Sixteenth Congress, shall apply in the One Hundred Sev-  
20 enteenth Congress in the same manner as such resolution  
21 applied in the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress, except  
22 that—

23           (1) the notification and availability require-  
24           ments of section 2 do not apply to revocation letters

1 submitted to the Clerk after an automatic revocation  
2 pursuant to section 2(a)(2)(B);

3 (2) section 4(b) shall not apply; and

4 (3) the chair of the Committee on House Ad-  
5 ministration, in consultation with the ranking minor-  
6 ity member, shall identify and submit to the Speaker  
7 and to the chair and ranking minority member of  
8 the Committee on Rules specific operable and secure  
9 technology that may be used to conduct remote vot-  
10 ing in the House and shall provide certification of  
11 such submission to the House as though pursuant to  
12 section 5(a).

13 (t) WITNESS DIVERSITY.—Not later than July 1,  
14 2021, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion shall submit  
15 a report to the Committee on House Administration and  
16 the Committee on Rules recommending a method to sur-  
17 vey the diversity of witness panels at committee hearings.  
18 Not later than July 31, 2021, the Committee on House  
19 Administration and the Committee on Rules shall take  
20 such steps as may be necessary to ensure the implementa-  
21 tion of such method.

22 (u) REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMITTEE HEARING AND  
23 MARKUP.—During the One Hundred Seventeenth Con-  
24 gress, notwithstanding clause 12(c) of rule XXI (as added



1 by section 2(r)), clause 12(a) of rule XXI shall not apply  
2 before April 1, 2021.

3 (v) EXEMPTIONS.—The chair of the Committee on  
4 the Budget may adjust an estimate under clause 4 of rule  
5 XXIX to—

6 (1) exempt the budgetary effects of measures to  
7 prevent, prepare for, or respond to economic or pub-  
8 lic health consequences resulting from the COVID-  
9 19 pandemic; and

10 (2) exempt the budgetary effects of measures to  
11 prevent, prepare for, or respond to economic, envi-  
12 ronmental, or public health consequences resulting  
13 from climate change.

14 (w) FURTHER EXPENSES FOR RESOLVING CON-  
15 TESTED ELECTIONS.—

16 (1) AMOUNTS FOR EXPENSES OF COMMITTEE  
17 ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION.—There shall be paid  
18 out of the applicable accounts of the House of Rep-  
19 resentatives such sums as may be necessary for fur-  
20 ther expenses of the Committee on House Adminis-  
21 tration for the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress  
22 for resolving contested elections.

23 (2) SESSION LIMITATION.—The amount speci-  
24 fied in paragraph (1) shall be available for expenses  
25 incurred during the period beginning at noon on

1 January 3, 2021, and ending immediately before  
2 noon on January 3, 2022.

3 (3) VOUCHERS.—Payments under this sub-  
4 section shall be made on vouchers authorized by the  
5 Committee on House Administration, signed by the  
6 chair of the Committee, and approved in the manner  
7 directed by the Committee.

8 (4) REGULATIONS.—Amounts made available  
9 under this subsection shall be expended in accord-  
10 ance with regulations prescribed by the Committee  
11 on House Administration.

12 (x) SUPPORT FOR SENATE MEASURES.—Not later  
13 than February 1, 2021, the Clerk shall submit to the chair  
14 of the Committee on Rules regulations establishing a proc-  
15 ess for Members to indicate their support for Senate meas-  
16 ures that have been received by the House. Such process  
17 shall include the maintenance of a publicly available list  
18 of Members supporting each such Senate measure. Upon  
19 receipt of such regulations, the chair of the Committee on  
20 Rules shall cause them to be printed in the Congressional  
21 Record, and Members shall be permitted to indicate their  
22 support for Senate measures accordingly.

23 (y) DISSEMINATION OF MANIPULATED MEDIA.—The  
24 Committee on Ethics is directed to report to the House,  
25 not later than December 31, 2021, any recommended

1 amendments to the Code of Official Conduct, as well as  
2 any accompanying regulations, intended to address the  
3 circumstances and instances, if any, for which a Member,  
4 Delegate, Resident Commissioner, officer, or employee of  
5 the House may be subject to discipline for the dissemina-  
6 tion by electronic means, including by social media, of any  
7 image, video, or audio file that has been distorted or ma-  
8 nipulated with the intent to mislead the public.

9 **SEC. 4. COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, AND HOUSE OFFICES.**

10 (a) HOUSE DEMOCRACY PARTNERSHIP.—House Res-  
11 olution 24, One Hundred Tenth Congress, shall apply in  
12 the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress in the same man-  
13 ner as such resolution applied in the One Hundred Tenth  
14 Congress, except that the commission concerned shall be  
15 known as the House Democracy Partnership.

16 (b) TOM LANTOS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION.—  
17 Sections 1 through 7 of House Resolution 1451, One Hun-  
18 dred Tenth Congress, shall apply in the One Hundred Sev-  
19 enteenth Congress in the same manner as such provisions  
20 applied in the One Hundred Tenth Congress, except  
21 that—

22 (1) the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission  
23 may, in addition to collaborating closely with other  
24 professional staff members of the Committee on

1 Foreign Affairs, collaborate closely with professional  
2 staff members of other relevant committees;

3 (2) the resources of the Committee on Foreign  
4 Affairs which the Commission may use shall include  
5 all resources which the Committee is authorized to  
6 obtain from other offices of the House of Represent-  
7 atives; and

8 (3) any amounts authorized to provide full-time  
9 professional staff and resources to the Tom Lantos  
10 Human Rights Commission shall be in addition to  
11 and separate from the amounts authorized for sala-  
12 ries and expenses of the Committee on Foreign Af-  
13 fairs as provided by resolution of the House, shall be  
14 administered by the Committee on Foreign Affairs,  
15 and shall be distributed equally between the co-  
16 chairs of the Commission.

17 (c) OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS.—Section 1  
18 of House Resolution 895, One Hundred Tenth Congress,  
19 shall apply in the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress in  
20 the same manner as such provision applied in the One  
21 Hundred Tenth Congress, except that—

22 (1) the Office of Congressional Ethics shall be  
23 treated as a standing committee of the House for  
24 purposes of section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorga-  
25 nization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i));

1           (2) references to the Committee on Standards  
2 of Official Conduct shall be construed as references  
3 to the Committee on Ethics;

4           (3) any requirement for concurrence in section  
5 1(b)(1) shall be construed as a requirement for con-  
6 sultation;

7           (4) the second sentence of section 1(b)(6)(A)  
8 shall not apply;

9           (5) members subject to section 1(b)(6)(B) may  
10 be reappointed for a fourth additional term;

11           (6) any individual who is the subject of a pre-  
12 liminary review or second-phase review by the board  
13 shall be informed of the right to be represented by  
14 counsel and invoking that right should not be held  
15 negatively against such individual; and

16           (7) the Office may not take any action that  
17 would deny any person any right or protection pro-  
18 vided under the Constitution of the United States.

19           (d) SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE CLIMATE CRISIS.—  
20 Section 104(f) of House Resolution 6, One Hundred Six-  
21 teenth Congress, shall apply in the One Hundred Seven-  
22 teenth Congress in the same manner as such section ap-  
23 plied in the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress, except  
24 that—

1           (1) the investigative jurisdiction of the Select  
2           Committee on the Climate Crisis shall consist of  
3           policies, strategies, and innovations to achieve sub-  
4           stantial and permanent reductions in pollution and  
5           other activities that contribute to the climate crisis  
6           which will honor our responsibility to be good stew-  
7           ards of the planet for future generations and ad-  
8           vance environmental justice;

9           (2) the Select Committee shall coordinate with  
10          and advise standing committees with relevant juris-  
11          diction with respect to such policies, strategies, and  
12          innovations;

13          (3) any records obtained by a standing com-  
14          mittee pursuant to a subpoena or deposition rec-  
15          ommended by the Select Committee pursuant to sec-  
16          tion 104(f)(3)(B)(iii) may be transferred to the Se-  
17          lect Committee; and

18          (4) the Select Committee shall submit all policy  
19          recommendations referenced in section 104(f)(5) by  
20          December 31, 2021, and all reports referenced in  
21          section 104(f)(5) by December 31, 2022.

22          (e) SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE MODERNIZATION  
23          OF CONGRESS.—Section 201 of House Resolution 6, One  
24          Hundred Sixteenth Congress, shall apply in the One Hun-  
25          dred Seventeenth Congress in the same manner as such

1 section applied in the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress,  
2 except that—

3 (1) the Select Committee shall submit the final  
4 report under section 201(f)(3) not later than Decem-  
5 ber 31, 2022; and

6 (2) section 201(g)(1) shall not apply.

7 (f) SELECT SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE CORONAVIRUS  
8 CRISIS.—Sections 1 through 7 of House Resolution 935,  
9 One Hundred Sixteenth Congress, shall apply in the One  
10 Hundred Seventeenth Congress in the same manner as  
11 such provisions applied in the One Hundred Sixteenth  
12 Congress.

13 (g) SELECT COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DISPARITY  
14 AND FAIRNESS IN GROWTH.—

15 (1) ESTABLISHMENT; COMPOSITION.—

16 (A) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby es-  
17 tablished a Select Committee on Economic Dis-  
18 parity and Fairness in Growth (hereafter in  
19 this subsection referred to as the “Select Com-  
20 mittee”).

21 (B) COMPOSITION.—The Select Committee  
22 shall be composed of 15 Members, Delegates, or  
23 the Resident Commissioner appointed by the  
24 Speaker, of whom 6 shall be appointed on the  
25 recommendation of the Minority Leader. The

1 Speaker shall designate one member of the Se-  
2 lect Committee as its chair. A vacancy in the  
3 membership of the Select Committee shall be  
4 filled in the same manner as the original ap-  
5 pointment.

6 (2) JURISDICTION; FUNCTIONS.—

7 (A) LEGISLATIVE JURISDICTION.—The Se-  
8 lect Committee shall not have legislative juris-  
9 diction and shall have no authority to take leg-  
10 islative action on any bill or resolution.

11 (B) INVESTIGATIVE JURISDICTION.—The  
12 sole authority of the Select Committee shall be  
13 to investigate, study, make findings, and de-  
14 velop recommendations on policies, strategies,  
15 and innovations to make our economy work for  
16 everyone, empowering American economic  
17 growth while ensuring that no one is left out or  
18 behind in the 21st Century Economy. The Se-  
19 lect Committee shall coordinate with and advise  
20 standing committees with relevant jurisdiction  
21 with respect to policy related to economic fair-  
22 ness, access to education, and workforce devel-  
23 opment. The Select Committee may, at its dis-  
24 cretion, hold public hearings in connection with  
25 any aspect of its investigative functions.



1           (3) PROCEDURE.—(A) Except as specified in  
2           subparagraph (B), the Select Committee shall have  
3           the authorities and responsibilities of, and shall be  
4           subject to the same limitations and restrictions as,  
5           a standing committee of the House, and shall be  
6           deemed a committee of the House for all purposes  
7           of law or rule.

8           (B)(i) Rules X and XI shall apply to the Select  
9           Committee where not inconsistent with this sub-  
10          section.

11          (ii) Service on the Select Committee shall not  
12          count against the limitations in clause 5(b)(2) of  
13          rule X.

14          (iii) Clause 2(m)(1)(B) of rule XI, clause  
15          2(m)(3) of rule XI, and section 3(b) of this resolu-  
16          tion shall not apply to the Select Committee, but the  
17          Select Committee may recommend subpoenas and  
18          depositions and submit such recommendations to the  
19          relevant standing committee. Any records obtained  
20          by a standing committee pursuant to a subpoena or  
21          deposition recommended by the Select Committee  
22          pursuant to this clause may be transferred to the  
23          Select Committee.

24          (iv) Clause 2(d) of rule X shall not apply to the  
25          Select Committee.

1 (4) AMOUNTS FOR INITIAL EXPENSES.—

2 (A) PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.—There shall  
3 be paid out of the applicable accounts of the  
4 House of Representatives not more than  
5 \$500,000 for the expenses of the Select Com-  
6 mittee, to be available during the period begin-  
7 ning at noon on January 3, 2021, and ending  
8 on March 31, 2021.

9 (B) VOUCHERS.—Payments under this  
10 paragraph shall be made on vouchers author-  
11 ized by the Select Committee, signed by the  
12 chair of the Select Committee, and approved in  
13 the manner directed by the Committee on  
14 House Administration.

15 (C) REGULATIONS.—Amounts made avail-  
16 able under this paragraph shall be expended in  
17 accordance with regulations prescribed by the  
18 Committee on House Administration.

19 (5) USE OF STAFF.—To enable the Select Com-  
20 mittee to carry out the purposes of this subsection,  
21 the Select Committee may use the services of staff  
22 of the House.

23 (6) REPORTING.—The Select Committee may  
24 report to the House or any committee of the House  
25 from time to time the results of its investigations

1 and studies, together with such detailed findings and  
2 policy recommendations as it may deem advisable.  
3 All such reports shall be submitted to the House by  
4 December 31, 2022. All such policy recommenda-  
5 tions shall be submitted to the relevant standing  
6 committees not later than December 31, 2021.

7 (7) PUBLICATION.—The Select Committee shall  
8 ensure that reports and proposals prepared in ac-  
9 cordance with this subsection shall, upon completion,  
10 be made available to the general public in widely ac-  
11 cessible formats not later than 30 calendar days fol-  
12 lowing the respective dates for completion set forth  
13 in paragraph (6).

14 **SEC. 5. ORDERS OF BUSINESS.**

15 (a)(1) On any legislative day during the period from  
16 January 3, 2021 through January 28, 2021—

17 (A) the Journal of the proceedings of the pre-  
18 vious day shall be considered as approved; and

19 (B) the Chair may at any time declare the  
20 House adjourned to meet at a date and time, within  
21 the limits of clause 4, section 5, article I of the Con-  
22 stitution, to be announced by the Chair in declaring  
23 the adjournment.

24 (2) The Speaker may appoint Members to perform  
25 the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period ad-

1 dressed by paragraph (1) as though under clause 8(a) of  
2 rule I.

3 (3) Each day during the period addressed by para-  
4 graph (1) shall not constitute a calendar day for purposes  
5 of section 7 of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C.  
6 1546).

7 (4) Each day during the period addressed by para-  
8 graph (1) shall not constitute a legislative day for pur-  
9 poses of clause 7 of rule XIII.

10 (5) Each day during the period addressed by para-  
11 graph (1) shall not constitute a calendar or legislative day  
12 for purposes of clause 7(c)(1) of rule XXII.

13 (6) Each day during the period addressed by para-  
14 graph (1) shall not constitute a legislative day for pur-  
15 poses of clause 7 of rule XV.

16 (b) It shall be in order at any time through the legis-  
17 lative day of January 28, 2021, for the Speaker to enter-  
18 tain motions that the House suspend the rules as though  
19 under clause 1 of rule XV. The Speaker or her designee  
20 shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on  
21 the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant  
22 to this subsection.

23 (c) The requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII for  
24 a two-thirds vote to consider a report from the Committee  
25 on Rules on the same day it is presented to the House

1 is waived with respect to any resolution reported through  
2 the legislative day of January 28, 2021.