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H.R. 2641—PART II—Amendments to the Energy & Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008

H.R. 2641, the Energy & Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008 (sponsored by Rep. Peter Visclosky, D-IN), is scheduled to be considered on the House floor on Tuesday, June 19, 2007, subject to an open rule (H.Res. 481), making in order any germane amendment under the five-minute rule. The rule allows one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill, except those regarding PAYGO and earmarks and allows the Chair to postpone consideration of the legislation at any time during its consideration. The rule also waives the no-authorizing-on-appropriations point of order against provisions in the underlying bill.

Note: The summaries below are based on RSC staff’s review of *actual amendment text*. For a summary of the underlying bill or the amendments pre-filed in the *Congressional Record*, see separate RSC documents released earlier today.

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Amendments NOT Pre-Filed in the Congressional Record

Porter (R-NV)/ Berkley (D-NV)/ Heller (R-NV). Strikes the entire nuclear waste disposal section in the underlying bill.

Stearns (R-FL). Increases by \$20 million and then reduces by \$20 million the funds for nuclear energy programs at the Department of Energy. Rep. Stearns’ office writes that this amendment is aimed at increasing “the Nuclear Power 2010 account (which is funded at almost \$34 million below the President's request), by \$20 million and decrease the Generation IV Nuclear Energy Systems account, (which is funded at almost \$80 million above the President's budget request) by \$20 million. The 2010 Program is intended to encourage near-term orders for advanced versions of existing commercial nuclear plants and is an integral part of the goal of constructing new plants in the next decade. Approximately two-thirds of the new reactor announcements use a reactor technology that depends on Nuclear Power 2010.”

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