H. Res. 5

In the House of Representatives, U. S.,
January 6, 2009.

Resolved, That the Rules of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Tenth Congress, including applicable provisions of law or concurrent resolution that constituted rules of the House at the end of the One Hundred Tenth Congress, are adopted as the Rules of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Eleventh Congress, with amendments to the standing rules as provided in section 2, and with other orders as provided in sections 3, 4, and 5.

SEC. 2. CHANGES TO THE STANDING RULES.

(a) INSPECTOR GENERAL AUDITS.—Amend clause 6(c)(1) of rule II to read as follows:

“(1) provide audit, investigative, and advisory services to the House and joint entities in a manner consistent with government-wide standards;”.

(b) HOMELAND SECURITY.—In clause 3(g) of rule X, designate the existing text as subparagraph (1) and add thereafter the following new subparagraph:
cludes a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress.

(2) The Committee on House Administration shall promulgate regulations to carry out this subsection.

(d) NUMBERING OF BILLS.—In the One Hundred Eleventh Congress, the first 10 numbers for bills (H.R. 1 through H.R. 10) shall be reserved for assignment by the Speaker.

(e) MEDICARE COST CONTAINMENT.—Section 803 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 shall not apply during the One Hundred Eleventh Congress.

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

(a) SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENERGY INDEPENDENCE AND GLOBAL WARMING.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT; COMPOSITION.—

(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established a Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming (hereinafter in this section referred to as the “select committee”).

(B) COMPOSITION.—The select committee shall be composed of 15 members appointed by the Speaker, of whom 6 shall be appointed on the recommendation of the Minority Leader. The Speaker shall designate one member of the select committee as its chair. A vacancy in the membership of the se-
(ii) Service on the select committee shall not count against the limitations in clause 5(b)(2) of rule X.

(4) FUNDING.—To enable the select committee to carry out the purposes of this section—

(A) the select committee may use the services of staff of the House; and

(B) the select committee shall be eligible for interim funding pursuant to clause 7 of rule X.

(5) REPORTING.—The select committee may report to the House from time to time the results of its investigations and studies, together with such detailed findings and recommendations as it may deem advisable. All such reports shall be submitted to the House by December 31, 2010.

(b) HOUSE DEMOCRACY ASSISTANCE COMMISSION.—House Resolution 24, One Hundred Tenth Congress, shall apply in the One Hundred Eleventh Congress in the same manner as such resolution applied in the One Hundred Tenth Congress.

(c) TOM LANTOS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION.—Sections 1 through 7 of House Resolution 1451, One Hundred Tenth Congress, shall apply in the One Hundred Eleventh Congress in the same manner as such provisions applied in the One Hundred Tenth Congress, except that—
(1) the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission may, in addition to collaborating closely with other professional staff members of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, collaborate closely with professional staff members of other relevant committees; and

(2) the resources of the Committee on Foreign Affairs which the Commission may use shall include all resources which the Committee is authorized to obtain from other offices of the House of Representatives.

(d) Office of Congressional Ethics.—Section 1 of House Resolution 895, One Hundred Tenth Congress, shall apply in the One Hundred Eleventh Congress in the same manner as such provision applied in the One Hundred Tenth Congress, except that the Office of Congressional Ethics shall be treated as a standing committee of the House for purposes of section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 72a(i)).

(e) Empaneling Investigative Subcommittee of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.—The text of House Resolution 451, One Hundred Tenth Congress, shall apply in the One Hundred Eleventh Congress in the same manner as such provision applied in the One Hundred Tenth Congress.

(f) Continuing Authorities for the Committee on the Judiciary and the Office of General Counsel.—