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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 11, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: William E. Timmons *WT*

FROM: Eugene Ainsworth *EA*

SUBJECT: Procedure in House and Senate regarding
rescission bills introduced under authority
of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment
Control Act

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In accordance with your instructions relative to Rep. John Rhodes' inquiry as to the status of such a rescission bill, the Act (88 Stat. 297), provides that such bill be referred to the Appropriations Committee.

When the Committee has reported a rescission bill, it shall, at any time, be in order to move to proceed to the consideration of the bill. The motion shall be highly privileged.

If the Committee has not reported the bill at the end of 25 calendar days of continuous session after its introduction, it is in order to move to discharge the Committee from further consideration of the bill. A motion to discharge may be made only by an individual favoring the bill; may be made only if supported by one-fifth of the House involved (a quorum being present), and is highly privileged in the House and privileged in the Senate.