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M.D. ANDERSON PLAZA

DECEMBER 12, 2011.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. MICA, from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H.R. 1264]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 1264) to designate the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the "M.D. Anderson Plaza" and to authorize the placement of a historical/identification marker on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

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PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION

H.R. 1264 would designate the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the “M.D. Anderson Plaza” and authorize the placement of a historical/identification marker on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

H.R. 1264 would designate the property between the United States Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the “M.D. Anderson Plaza” and authorize the placement of historical markers on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson.

The bill would also authorize markers for Will Clayton, Ben Clayton, and Frank Anderson who worked with M.D. Anderson to establish Anderson, Clayton and Company which has had a lasting impact on the local economy in Jackson, Tennessee.

The bill specifically authorizes the West Tennessee Health Care Foundation to erect the statue and markers and explicitly prohibits any federal funds to be used for the markers, but rather simply authorizes their placement at this site.

Monroe Dunaway Anderson, also known as M.D. Anderson, was one of the United States most successful agri-businessmen and philanthropists of the early 20th century. In 1904, M.D. Anderson, his other brother Frank Anderson, along with Will Clayton, established a partnership to buy and sell cotton in Jackson, Tennessee.

By 1945, Fortune Magazine called their company the largest buyer, seller, storier, and shipper of raw cotton in the world. Later, M.D. Anderson established the M.D. Anderson Foundation, which funded medical research and education at the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, which is now the Texas Medical Center in Houston, TX.

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

Section 1. Findings

Section 1 includes findings of Congress.

Section 2. M.D. Anderson Plaza

Section 2 designates the plaza between the U.S. Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building in Jackson, Tennessee as the “M.D. Anderson Plaza”. Section 2 also authorizes the West Tennessee Health Care Foundation to install a Tennessee State Historical Society Marker and a life-size statue of M.D. Anderson and 3 busts depicting Will Clayton, Ben Clayton, and Frank Anderson. This section also prohibits the use of federal funds.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY AND CONSIDERATION

On March 30, 2011, Representative Stephen Fincher introduced H.R. 1264, a bill to designate the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the “M.D. Anderson Plaza” and authorize the placement of a historical/identi-

fication marker on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson.

On June 22, 2011, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure met in open session, and ordered the bill reported favorably to the House by voice vote with a quorum present.

HEARINGS

No hearings were held on H.R. 1264.

COMMITTEE VOTES

Clause 3(b) of rule XIII of the House of Representatives requires each committee report to include the total number of votes cast for and against on each record vote on a motion to report and on any amendment offered to the measure or matter, and the names of those members voting for and against. There were no record votes taken in connection with consideration of H.R. 1264, or ordering the bill reported. A motion to order H.R. 1264 reported favorably to the House was agreed to by voice vote with a quorum present.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS

With respect to the requirements of clause 3(c)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee's oversight findings and recommendations are reflected in this report.

NEW BUDGET AUTHORITY AND TAX EXPENDITURES

Clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives does not apply where a cost estimate and comparison prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 has been timely submitted prior to the filing of the report and is included in the report. Such a cost estimate is included in this report.

PERFORMANCE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the performance goal and objective of this legislation is to designate the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the "M.D. Anderson Plaza" and authorize the placement of a historical/identification marker on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has received the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 1264 from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office:

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, June 28, 2011.

Hon. JOHN L. MICA,
*Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed the following legislation ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on June 22, 2011:

- H.R. 1073, a bill to designate the United States courthouse to be constructed in Jackson, Mississippi, as the “R. Jess Brown United States Courthouse”;
- H.R. 1264, a bill to designate the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the “M.D. Anderson Plaza” and to authorize the placement of a historical/identification marker on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson; and
- H.R. 1791, a bill to designate the United States courthouse under construction at 101 South United States Route 1 in Fort Pierce, Florida, as the “Alto Lee Adams, Sr., United States Courthouse.”

CBO estimates that enacting those pieces of legislation would have no significant impact on the federal budget and would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

The bills contain no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Matthew Pickford.

Sincerely,

ROBERT A. SUNSHINE.
(For Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director).

ADVISORY OF EARMARKS

Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee is required to include a list of congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9(e), 9(f), and 9(g) of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives. No provision in the bill includes an earmark, limited tax benefit, or limited tariff benefit under clause 9(e), 9(f), or 9(g) of rule XXI.

FEDERAL MANDATE STATEMENT

The Committee adopts as its own the estimate of Federal mandates prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office pursuant to section 423 of the “Unfunded Mandates Reform Act” (P.L. 104–4).

PREEMPTION CLARIFICATION

Section 423 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 requires the report of any Committee on a bill or joint resolution to include a statement on the extent to which the bill or joint resolution is in-

tended to preempt state, local, or tribal law. The Committee states that H.R. 1264 does not preempt any state, local, or tribal law.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE STATEMENT

No advisory committees within the meaning of section 5(b) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act are created by this legislation.

APPLICABILITY OF LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Committee finds that the legislation does not relate to the terms and conditions of employment or access to public services or accommodations within the meaning of section 102(b)(3) of the Congressional Accountability Act (P.L. 104-1).

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

H.R. 1264 makes no changes in existing law.

