By unanimous consent, H.R. 279, a similar House bill, was laid on the table.

¶39.9 SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY TO NONPROFIT PROVIDERS SERVING IMPOVERISHED FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS

Mr. HORN moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 680) to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 to authorize the transfer to States of surplus personal property for donation to nonprofit providers of necessaries to impoverished families and individuals; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, recognized Mr. HORN and Mrs. MALONEY, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill, as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

Mr. HORN demanded that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays, which demand was supported by one-fifth of the Members present, so the yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that further proceedings on the motion were postponed.

¶39.10 EMF RESEARCH PROGRAM

Mr. SCHAEFER moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 363) to amend section 2118 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to extend the Electric and Magnetic Fields Research and Public Information Dissemination Program; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, recognized Mr. SCHAEFER and Mr. HALL of Texas, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill, as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

Mr. SCHAEFER demanded that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays, which demand was supported by one-fifth of the Members present, so the yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that further proceedings on the motion were postponed.

¶39.11 FAA RESEARCH, ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORIZATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, pursuant to House Resolution 125 and rule XXIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 1271) to authorize the Federal Aviation Administration's research, engineering, and development programs for fiscal years 1998 through 2000, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. STEARNS as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOSS, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. STEARNS, Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 125, reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee.

The previous question having been ordered by said resolution.

The following amendment, reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, was agreed to:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''FAA Research, Engineering, and Development Authorization Act of 1997''.

SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Section 48102(a) of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking ''and'' at the end of paragraph (2)(J);

(2) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (3)(J) and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

''(4) for fiscal year 1998, $217,406,000, including—

''(A) $75,550,000 for system development and infrastructure projects and activities;

''(B) $19,614,000 for capacity and air traffic management technology projects and activities;

''(C) $15,132,000 for communications, navigation, and surveillance projects and activities;

''(D) $9,982,000 for weather projects and activities;

''(E) $5,458,000 for airport technology projects and activities;

''(F) $26,625,000 for aircraft safety technology projects and activities;

''(G) $49,895,000 for system security technology projects and activities;

''(H) $10,737,000 for human factors and aviation medicine projects and activities;

''(I) $3,291,000 for environment and energy projects and activities; and

''(J) $1,122,000 for innovative/cooperative research projects and activities;

''(5) for fiscal year 1999, $224,000,000; and

''(6) for fiscal year 2000, $231,000,000.''.

SEC. 3. BUDGET DESIGNATION FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.

Section 48102 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(g) DESIGNATION OF ACTIVITIES.—(1) The amounts appropriated under subsection (a) are for the support of all research and development activities carried out by the Federal Aviation Administration that fall within the categories of basic research, applied research, and development, including the design and development of prototypes, in accordance with the classifications of the Office of Management and Budget Circular A–11 (Budget Formulation/Submission Process).

''(2) The President's annual budget request for the Federal Aviation Administration shall include all research and development activities within a single budget category. All of the activities carried out by the Administration within the categories of basic research, applied research, and development, as classified by the Office of Management and Budget Circular A–11, shall be placed in this single budget category.''.

SEC. 4. NATIONAL AVIATION RESEARCH PLAN.

Section 44501(c)(2)(B) of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking ''and'' at the end of clause (iii);

(2) by striking the period at the end of clause (iv) and inserting in lieu thereof ''; and''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new clause:

''(v) highlight the research and development technology transfer activities that promote technology sharing among government, industry, and academia through the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980.''.

SEC. 5. RESEARCH GRANTS PROGRAM INVOLVING UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS.

(a) PROGRAM.—Section 48102 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(h) RESEARCH GRANTS PROGRAM INVOLVING UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS.—

''(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall establish a program for awarding grants to researchers at primarily undergraduate institutions, including primarily undergraduate Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Hispanic Serving Institutions, who involve undergraduate students in their research on subjects of relevance to the Federal Aviation Administration. Grants may be awarded under this subsection for—

''(A) research projects to be carried out at primarily undergraduate institutions; or

''(B) research projects that combine research at primarily undergraduate institutions with other research supported by the Federal Aviation Administration.

''(2) NOTICE OF CRITERIA.—Within 6 months after the date of the enactment of the FAA Research, Engineering, and Development Authorization Act of 1997, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall establish and publish in the Federal Register criteria for the submittal of proposals for a grant under this subsection, and for the awarding of such grants.

''(3) PRINCIPAL CRITERIA.—The principal criteria for the awarding of grants under this subsection shall be—

''(A) the relevance of the proposed research to technical research needs identified by the Federal Aviation Administration;

''(B) the scientific and technical merit of the proposed research; and

''(C) the potential for participation by undergraduate students in the proposed research.

''(4) COMPETITIVE, MERIT-BASED EVALUATION.—Grants shall be awarded under this subsection on the basis of evaluation of proposals through a competitive, merit-based process.''.

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 48102(a) of title 49, United States Code, as amended by this Act, is further amended—

(1) by inserting '', of which $500,000 shall be for carrying out the grant program established under subsection (h)'' after ''projects and activities'' in paragraph (4)(J);

(2) by inserting '', of which $500,000 shall be for carrying out the grant program established under subsection (h)'' after ''$224,000,000'' in paragraph (5); and

(3) by inserting '', of which $500,000 shall be for carrying out the grant program established under subsection (h)'' after ''$231,000,000'' in paragraph (6).