

Quarter Program truly intends to celebrate this Nation's diversity, such an oversight is inexcusable.

I represent the island of Guam. In 1994, we commemorated the fiftieth anniversary of Guam's liberation after three years of occupation by the Japanese during World War II. We hold the distinction of being the only civilian American community to suffer occupation during that war. In 1998, we marked the hundred-year anniversary of the commencement of our relationship with the United States which resulted from the Spanish-American War. Last August, we commemorated the fifty-year anniversary of the enactment of the Organic Act of Guam which granted civil government and U.S. citizenship to the people of Guam. Together with the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, we are the westernmost territories of the United States. Guam is "where America's day begins." These are some interesting points that we on Guam want to share with the American public and these are some of the points that will be conveyed to the American public if the commemorative quarter program is extended to the Territories and the District.

H.R. 5010, the "District of Columbia and United States Territories Circulating Quarter Dollar Program Act," will enable the District and the Territories to share in the pride brought about by commemorative quarters to the fifty states. It would serve the American public to be acquainted with the diversity and culture that defines the Territories and the District. More importantly, having commemorative quarters issued in honor of the District and the Territories, will go a long way towards recognizing areas of this nation that most citizens of the fifty states oftentimes overlook. Passage of this legislation will ensure the Commemorative coin program will finally cover all Americans and all areas where the U.S. flag flies. Seeing a latte stone or tapa cloth on the other side of a coin with George Washington's portrait will be a great testimony to this country's diversity. Who knows, a full examination of representative democracy for all these areas under the American flag could follow this effort to include the Territories and the District. This legislation is significant, important and necessary. It is worth much—much more than two-bits.

Again, I would like to thank my colleagues who have supported H.R. 5010, the "District of Columbia and United States Territories Circulating Quarter Dollar Program Act," and urge its expeditious passage and enactment.

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. BACHUS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5010, as amended.

The question was taken.

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 5010, the bill just considered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alabama?

There was no objection.

#### DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT EXTENSION

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1715) to extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1715

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. EXTENSION AND REAUTHORIZATION OF THE DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950.

(a) EXTENSION OF TERMINATION DATE.—Section 717(a) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2166(a)) is amended by striking "September 30, 2000" and inserting "September 30, 2001".

(b) EXTENSION OF AUTHORIZATION.—Section 711(b) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2161(b)) is amended by striking "2000" and inserting "2001".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. BACHUS) and the gentleman from California (Ms. WATERS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. Bachus).

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I will say that we intend to take only a very few minutes on this bill. This bill, as amended, is simply a 1-year extension of the Defense Production Act. I am not sure that any other explanation other than that is needed. I think all Members of this House know what that act is. We normally extend it for 3 years, but the reason we are doing it for 1 year is that Chairman GRAMM in the Senate wishes to take up reform of the legislation and has not had an opportunity to do that. It is a very worthy effort on his part.

The House, as soon as we pass this 1-year extension, we expect the Senate to do the same.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank our subcommittee chair for seeing to it again that this bill is on the floor today. The reason reauthorization of this act is necessary is that it contains the basic emergency authorities of the President to obtain needed emergency products for national defense. Annual

renewals of this legislation have become quite routine in recent years and there is every expectation the other body will act with speed on this measure due to this tradition.

At some point, a review of some of the details of this legislation may become advisable, such as those permitting minor long-term production of various goods. However, there has been no outstanding complaints about abuse of these powers in many, many years. Consequently, this side of the aisle supports this measure to renew the act for 1 year.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, I have no additional requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. BACHUS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1715, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read:

"A bill to extend and reauthorize the Defense Production Act of 1950."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 1715, the bill just considered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alabama?

There was no objection.

#### BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING SECURITY PRINTING AMENDMENTS ACT OF 2000

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4096) to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to produce currency, postage stamps, and other security documents at the request of foreign governments, and security documents at the request of the individual States or any political subdivision thereof, on a reimbursable basis, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 4096

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Bureau of Engraving and Printing Security Printing Amendments Act of 2000".

#### SEC. 2. PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 5114(a) of title 31, United States Code (relating to engraving