

Had I been present I would have voted "yea." Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 579, on setting the Hour of meeting for October 31, 2000. Had I been present I would have voted "yea." Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 580, on ordering a vote on the previous question. Had I been present I would have voted "yea." Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 581, on passage of a bill providing for consideration of certain joint resolutions making further continuing appropriations for FY 2001. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENTION TO OFFER MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES ON H.R. 4577, DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT 2001**

Mr. HOEKSTRA. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 7(c) of rule XXII, I hereby notify the House of my intention to offer the following motion to instruct House conferees on H.R. 4577, a bill making appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education.

The form of the motion is as follows:

Mrs. HOEKSTRA moves that the managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 4577 be instructed to choose a level of funding for the Inspector General of the Department of Education that reflects a requirement on the Inspector General of the Department of Education, as authorized by section 211 of the Department of Education Organization Act, to use all funds appropriated to the Office of Inspector General of such Department to comply with the Inspector General Act of 1978, with priority given to section 4 of such Act.

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Mr. SCHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 7(c) of rule XXII, I hereby serve notice to the House of my intention tomorrow to offer the following motion to instruct House conferees on H.R. 4577, a bill making appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services and Education.

The form of the motion is as follows:

Mr. SCHAFFER moves that the managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 4577 be instructed to insist on those provisions that—

(1) maintain the utmost flexibility possible for the grant program under title VI of the

Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965; and

(2) provide local educational agencies the maximum discretion within the scope of conference to spend Federal education funds to improve the education of their students.

**PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF S. 2485, SAINT CROIX ISLAND HERITAGE ACT**

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 663 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

**H. RES. 663**

*Resolved*, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (S. 2485) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in planning and constructing a regional heritage center in Calais, Maine. The bill shall be considered as read for amendment. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources; and (2) one motion to recommit.

SEC. 2. A concurrent resolution consisting of the text printed in section 3 is hereby adopted.

SEC. 3. The text specified in section 2 is as follows:

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring)*, That, in the enrollment of the bill (H.R. 2614) to amend the Small Business Investment Act to make improvements to the certified development company program, and for other purposes, the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall make the following corrections:

"(1) In section 1, insert before 'are hereby enacted into law' the following: ', as modified in accordance with section 3.'

"(2) In section 2, insert before the period at the end the following: ', modified in accordance with section 3.'

"(3) Add at the end the following new section:

**"SEC. 3. MODIFICATION TO TEXT OF BILL ENACTED BY REFERENCE.**

"The modification referred to in sections 1 and 2 is to the text of the bill H.R. 5538, as referred to in section 1(1), and is as follows: the quoted matter in the amendment proposed to be made by section 2 of such bill is modified by striking "June 30, 2000" and inserting "December 31, 2000".'"

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). The gentleman from Florida (Mr. DIAZ-BALART) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, for purposes of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MOAKLEY), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 663 is a closed rule providing for the consideration of S. 2485 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in planning and constructing a Regional Heritage Center in Calais,

Maine. The rule also provides for the adoption of a concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make certain corrections in the enrollment of the bill, H.R. 2614, to amend the Small Business Investment Act to make improvements to the certified development company, House Report 106-1016.

I want to make it clear that we are considering S. 2485. The text of the report that the Committee on Rules filed to accompany this resolution incorrectly states in the summary of the resolution that the resolution provides for the consideration of H. 2485 when in fact it was meant to state that the rule provides for the consideration of S. 2485.

The rule provides 1 hour of debate in the House divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources. Further, the rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill and provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Finally, the rule provides that a concurrent resolution directing the Clerk to make certain corrections to the enrollment of H.R. 2614 is adopted.

Mr. Speaker, in essence what this two-part rule will accomplish is the following: the first part provides for the consideration of S. 2485, which directs the Secretary of the Interior to work with Federal, State, and local agencies, historical societies and not-for-profit organizations to facilitate the development of a Regional Heritage Center in downtown Calais, Maine, before the 400th anniversary of the settlement of the Saint Croix Islands.

Saint Croix Island is located in the Saint Croix River, which forms the boundary between Canada and the United States and the State of Maine. Now, in 1604 and 1605, Pierre Dugua Sieur de Mons, with his company, established a French settlement on the island predating the English settlement at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1607. Saint Croix Island International Historic Site is administered by the National Park Service, preserving the site as a monument to the beginning of the United States and of Canada.

S. 2485 directs the Secretary of the Interior to work with Federal, State and local agencies, historical societies and nonprofits to provide assistance in planning, constructing and operating a Regional Heritage Center in downtown Calais. The bill authorizes the Secretary to enter into cooperative agreements, the appropriation of \$2 million for design and construction of the facility, and such sums as are necessary to maintain and operate interpretive exhibits.

The Congressional Budget Office estimates that implementing S. 2485 would cost \$2 million over the next 3 fiscal years. Additional annual expenses to help operate and maintain the center