AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE CAPITOL GROUNDS FOR THE 18TH ANNUAL NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS' MEMORIAL SERVICE

MARCH 16, 1999.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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

REPORT

[To accompany H. Con. Res. 44]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to whom was referred the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 44) authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 18th annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon with an amendment and recommends that the concurrent resolution be agreed to.

The amendment is as follows:

Strike out all after the resolving clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. USE OF CAPITOL GROUNDS FOR NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS' MEMORIAL SERVICE

The National Fraternal Order of Police and its auxiliary shall be permitted to sponsor a public event, the eighteenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, on the Capitol Grounds on May 15, 1999, or on such other date as the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate may jointly designate, in order to honor the more than 160 law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty during 1998.

SEC. 2. TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The event authorized to be conducted on the Capitol Grounds under section 1 shall be free of admission charge to the public and arranged not to interfere with the needs of Congress, under conditions to be prescribed by the Architect of the Capitol and the Capitol Police Board

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(b) EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES.—The National Fraternal Order of Police and its auxiliary shall assume full responsibility for all expenses and liabilities incident to all activities associated with the event.

SEC. 3. EVENT PREPARATIONS.

(a) Structures and Equipment.—Subject to the approval of the Architect of the Capitol, the National Fraternal Order of Police and its auxiliary are authorized to

erect upon the Capitol Grounds such stage, sound amplification devices, and other related structures and equipment, as may be required for the event authorized to be conducted on the Capitol Grounds under section 1.

SEC. 4. ENFORCEMENT OF RESTRICTIONS.

The Capitol Police Board shall provide for enforcement of the restrictions contained in section 4 of the Act of July 31, 1946 (40 U.S.C. 193d; 60 Stat. 718), concerning sales, displays, and solicitations on the Capitol Grounds, as well as other restrictions applicable to the Capitol Grounds, with respect to the event.

House Concurrent Resolution 44, as amended, authorizes the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 18th Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, scheduled for May 15, 1999, or on such other date as the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration may jointly designate. The resolution also authorizes the Architect of the Capitol, the Capitol Police Board, and the Grand Lodge Fraternal Order of Police, the sponsor, to negotiate the necessary arrangements for carrying out the event in complete compliance with the rules and regulations governing the use of the Capitol Grounds. The event will be open to the public and free of charge; and the sponsor will assume responsibility for all expenses and liabilities related to the event. In addition, sales, advertisements, and solicitations are explicitly prohibited on the Capitol Grounds for this event.

The service is in honor of federal, state and local law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty in 1998. The United States Capitol Police will be the hosting law enforcement agency for this event.

COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

On March 11, 1999, the Committee met in open session and ordered reported H. Con. Res. 44, as amended, to authorize the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Peace Officers' Memorial Service, approved March 11, 1999, by the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation, by voice vote with a quorum present. There were no recorded votes taken during Committee consideration of H. Con. Res. 44, as amended.

RECORD 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 recorded votes taken in connection with ordering H. Con. Res. 44, as amended, reported. A motion by Mr. Franks to order H. Con. Res. 44, as amended, favorably reported to the House was agreed to by voice vote, a quorum being present.

COST OF THE LEGISLATION

Clause 3(d)(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.

COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XIII

1. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, and section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee references the report of the Congressional Budget Office below.

2. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee has received no report of oversight findings and recommendations from the Committee on Government Reform on the subject of H. Con.

Res. 44, as amended.

3. 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 following cost estimate for H. Con. Res. 44, as amended, from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

H. Con. Res. 44—Authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the 18th annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service

H. Con. Res. 44 would authorize the National Fraternal Order of Police to use the Capitol grounds on May 15, 1999, or on such other date as the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration may jointly designate. Because it would require that the sponsors assume responsibility for all expenses and liabilities associated with the event, CBO estimates that passage of H. Con. Res. 44 would result in no significant cost to the federal government.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is John R. Righter. The estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Deputy Assistant

Director for Budget Analysis.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 3(d)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, committee reports on a bill or joint resolution of a public character shall include a statement citing the specific powers granted to the Congress in the Constitution to enact the measure. The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure finds that Congress has the authority to enact this measure pursuant to its powers granted under article I, section 8 of the Constitution.

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