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DESIGNATION OF TOMOCHICHI UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE

MARCH 25, 2004.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H.R. 2523]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 2523) to designate the United States courthouse located at 125 Bull Street in Savannah, Georgia, as the "Tomochichi United States Courthouse," having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE LEGISLATION

The purpose of H.R. 2523 is to provide for the designation of the United States courthouse located at 125 Bull Street in Savannah, Georgia, as the "Tomochichi United States Courthouse."

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR THE LEGISLATION

H.R. 2523 designates the United States courthouse located at 125 Bull Street in Savannah, Georgia, as the "Tomochichi United States Courthouse". Tomochichi was born around the year 1650 into the Creek Indian tribe town of Coweta. He was raised as a Creek warrior, and became well respected within his village for his good judgment and wisdom. Even at a young age, he was consulted on various matters of politics and law.

In 1728, he established the town of Yamacraw located on the Savannah River. In 1733, Tomochichi encountered English settlers led by General James Edward Oglethorpe, who arrived at what was to become the new colony of Georgia. Tomochichi befriended Oglethorpe and assisted him in not only the creation of a new English colony to be named Savannah, but also in the colony's rela-

tions with neighboring Creek tribes. In 1734, Tomochichi accompanied Oglethorpe to England to approve a treaty between the Creek Nation and the English.

The friendship between Tomochichi and Oglethorpe aided in the peaceful coexistence between the Creek and the English during the period prior to the founding of the United States. Tomochichi died in 1739, and was buried in what is now known as Wright Square in Savannah, Georgia.

SUMMARY OF THE LEGISLATION

Section 1. Designation

This section designates the United States courthouse located at 125 Bull Street in Savannah, Georgia, as the "Tomochichi United States Courthouse."

Section 2. References

This section clarifies that any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the courthouse located at 125 Bull Street in Savannah, Georgia, be deemed a reference to the "Tomochichi United States Courthouse."

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY AND COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

Mr. Burns of Georgia introduced H.R. 2523 on June 19, 2003. On July 16, 2003 the Subcommittee met in open session and considered H.R. 2523. On a motion by Ms. Norton, H.R. 2523 was ordered favorably reported to the Full Committee, by voice vote, with a quorum present.

On February 25, 2004, the Full Committee considered H.R. 2523. A motion by Mr. LaTourette, to order H.R. 2523 favorably reported to the House was agreed to by the Full Committee unanimously, by voice vote, with a quorum present. There were no recorded votes taken during Committee consideration of H.R. 2523.

ROLLCALL 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 roll call 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 roll call votes taken in connection with ordering H.R. 2523 favorably reported to the House.

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.

COST OF LEGISLATION

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.

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 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee references the report of the Congressional Budget Office included 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 advises that the bill contains no measure that authorizes funding, so no statement of general performance goals and objectives is required.

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.R. 2523 from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, February 26, 2004.

Hon. DON YOUNG,
Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed the following legislation as ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on February 25, 2004:

- H.R. 2523, a bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 125 Bull Street in Savannah, Georgia, as the "Tomochichi United States Courthouse";
- H.R. 2538, a bill to designate the United States Courthouse located at 400 North Miami Avenue in Miami, Florida, as the "Wilkie D. Ferguson, Jr. United States Courthouse";
- H.R. 3147, a bill to designate the federal building located at 324 Twenty-Fifth Street in Ogden, Utah, as the "James V. Hansen Federal Building"; and
- H.R. 3713, a bill to designate the federal building located at 250 West Cherry Street in Carbondale, Illinois, the "Senator Paul Simon Federal Building."

CBO estimates that enactment of these bills would have no significant impact on the federal budget and would not affect direct spending or revenues. These 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,

ELIZABETH ROBINSON
(For Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Director).

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.

FEDERAL MANDATES 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. (Public Law 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 intended to preempt state, local or tribal law. The Committee states that H.R. 2523 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 TO THE 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. (Public Law 104–1).

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

H.R. 2523 makes no changes in existing law.

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