

mittee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate.

(d) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the term “socially disadvantaged producer” means a producer who is a member of a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic, or gender prejudice because of their identity as members of a group without regard to their individual qualities.

SEC. 306. AVIATION INSPECTIONS.

(a) STUDY REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION AIRCRAFT INSPECTIONS.—

(1) INTENT OF STUDY.—The intent of the study required by this subsection is to examine the cost efficiencies of conducting inspections of aircraft and pilots by one Federal agency without reducing aircraft, passenger, or pilot safety standards or lowering mission preparedness.

(2) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Transportation shall jointly conduct a study of the inspection specifications and procedures by which aircraft and pilots contracted by the Department are certified to determine the cost efficiencies of eliminating duplicative Department inspection requirements and transferring some or all inspection requirements to the Federal Aviation Administration, while ensuring that neither aircraft, passenger, nor pilot safety is reduced and that mission preparedness is maintained.

(3) SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS.—In conducting the study, the Secretaries shall evaluate current inspection specifications and procedures mandated by the Department and the Forest Service, taking into consideration the unique requirements and risks of particular Department and Forest Service missions that may require special inspection specifications and procedures to ensure the safety of Department and Forest Service personnel and their contractees.

(4) MAINTENANCE OF STANDARDS AND PREPAREDNESS.—In making recommendations to transfer inspection authority or otherwise change Department inspection specifications and procedures, the Secretaries shall ensure that the implementation of any such recommendations does not lower aircraft or pilot standards or preparedness for Department or Forest Service missions.

(5) SUBMISSION OF RESULTS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretaries shall submit to Congress the results of the study, including any recommendations to transfer inspection authority or otherwise change Department inspection specifications and procedures and a cost-benefit analysis of such recommendations.

(b) REVIEW OF RECENTLY ADOPTED AIRCRAFT POLICY.—

(1) REVIEW REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall review the policy initiated by the Secretary on July 1, 1994, to accept Federal Aviation Administration inspections on aircraft and pilots that provide “airport to airport” service for the Forest Service. The policy is currently being cooperatively developed by the Department and the Federal Aviation Administration and is intended to reduce duplicative inspections and to reduce Government costs, while maintaining aircraft, passenger, and pilot safety standards, specifications and procedures currently required by the Department and the Forest Service.

(2) EXPANSION OF POLICY.—As part of the review, the Secretary of Agriculture shall examine the feasibility and desirability of applying this policy on a Government-wide basis.

(3) SUBMISSION OF RESULTS.—Not later than one year after the date of the implementation of the policy, the Secretary of Agriculture shall submit to Congress the results

of the review, including any recommendations that the Secretary considers appropriate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PASTOR, recognized Mr. DE LA GARZA and Mr. ROBERTS, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said resolution?

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

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said amendment.

¶118.26 HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP INVESTMENT

Mr. TRAFICANT moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4704) to provide for the conveyance of certain lands and improvements in Hopewell Township, Pennsylvania, to a nonprofit organization known as the “Beaver County Corporation for Economic Development” to provide a site for economic development; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MILLER of California, recognized Mr. TRAFICANT and Mr. PETRI, 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. MILLER of California, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

Mr. PETRI objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

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

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

¶118.27 CONSERVATION AND WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

Mr. APPELEGATE moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4460) to provide for conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MILLER of California, recognized Mr. APPELEGATE and Mr. BOEHLERT, 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. MILLER of California, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said bill, as amended, was passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said bill.

¶118.28 FREDERICK S. GREEN UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE

Mr. TRAFICANT moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4939) to designate the United States courthouse located at 201 South Vine Street in Urbana, Illinois, as the “Frederick S. Green United States Courthouse”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MILLER of California, recognized Mr. TRAFICANT and Mr. PETRI, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

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

Mr. PETRI objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

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

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

¶118.29 THURGOOD MARSHALL UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE

Mr. TRAFICANT moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4910) to designate the United States courthouse under construction in White Plains, New York, as the “Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MILLER of California, recognized Mr. TRAFICANT and Mr. PETRI, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

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

Mr. PETRI objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

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

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.