

“(e) ACTIONS THAT SHALL BE REFERRED TO ARBITRATION.—In any civil action against a general music user for infringement of the right granted in section 106(4) of title 17 involving a musical work that is in the repertoire of a performing rights society, if the general music user admits the public performance of any musical work in the repertoire of the performing rights society but contests the rate or the amount of the license fee demanded by the society for such performance, the district court shall, if requested by the general music user, refer the dispute to arbitration, which shall be conducted in accordance with section 504(d)(2) of title 17. Each district court shall establish procedures by local rule authorizing the use of arbitration under this subsection. The definitions set forth in title 17 apply to the terms used in this subsection.”.

SEC. 204. VICARIOUS LIABILITY PROHIBITED.

Section 501 of title 17, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(f) A landlord, an organizer or sponsor of a convention, exposition, or meeting, a facility owner, or any other person making space available to another party by contract, shall not be liable under any theory of vicarious or contributory infringement with respect to an infringing public performance of a copyrighted work by a tenant, lessee, subtenant, sublessee, licensee, exhibitor, or other user of such space on the ground that—

“(1) a contract for such space provides the landlord, organizer or sponsor, facility owner, or other person a right or ability to control such space and compensation for the use of such space; or

“(2) the landlord, organizer or sponsor, facility owner, or other person has or had at the time of the infringing performance actual control over some aspects of the use of such space,

if the contract for the use of such space prohibits infringing public performances and the landlord, organizer or sponsor, facility owner, or other person does not exercise control over the selection of works performed.”.

SEC. 205. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.

Section 101 of title 17, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the undesignated paragraph relating to the definition of “perform” the following:

“A ‘performing rights society’ is an association, corporation, or other entity that licenses the public performance of nondramatic musical works on behalf of copyright owners of such works, such as the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers, Broadcast Music, Inc., and SESAC, Inc. The ‘repertoire’ of a performing rights society consists of those works for which the society provides licenses on behalf of the owners of copyright in the works.”.

SEC. 206. CONSTRUCTION OF TITLE.

Except as provided in section 504(d)(1) of title 17, United States Code, as added by section 203(a) of this Act, nothing in this title shall be construed to relieve any performing rights society (as defined in section 101 of title 17, United States Code) of any obligation under any consent decree, State statute, or other court order governing its operation, as such statute, decree, or order is in effect on the date of the enactment of this Act, as it may be amended after such date, or as it may be enacted, issued, or agreed to after such date.

SEC. 207. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This title and the amendments made by this title shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act, and shall apply to actions filed on or after such date.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read a third time by title.

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GIBBONS, announced that the yeas had it.

So the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said bill was passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

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

¶25.10 CLERK TO CORRECT ENGROSSMENT

On motion of Mr. COBLE, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That in the engrossment of the foregoing bill the Clerk be authorized to insert “Sonny Bono” before “Copyright Term Extension Act” each place it occurs.

¶25.11 CLERK TO CORRECT ENGROSSMENT

On motion of Mr. COBLE, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That in the engrossment of the foregoing bill the Clerk be authorized to correct section numbers, cross references, and punctuation, and to make such stylistic, clerical, technical, conforming, and other changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill.

¶25.12 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3246

Mrs. MYRICK, by direction of the Committee on Rules, reported (Rept. No. 105-463) the resolution (H. Res. 393) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3246) to assist small businesses and labor organizations in defending themselves against government bureaucracy; to ensure that employees entitled to reinstatement get their jobs back quickly; to protect the right of employers to have a hearing to present their case in certain representation cases; and to prevent the use of the National Labor Relations Act for the purpose of disrupting or inflicting economic harm on employers.

When said resolution and report were referred to the House Calendar and ordered printed.

¶25.13 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2515

Mrs. MYRICK, by direction of the Committee on Rules, reported (Rept. No. 105-464) the resolution (H. Res. 394) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2515) to address the declining health of forests on Federal lands in the United States through a program of recovery and protection consistent with the requirements of existing public land management and environmental laws, to establish a program to inventory, monitor, and analyze public and private forests and their resources, and for other purposes.

When said resolution and report were referred to the House Calendar and ordered printed.

¶25.14 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2578

Mrs. MYRICK, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 391):

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 1(b) of rule XXIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2578) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of non-immigrants who remain in the United States after the expiration of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The bill shall be considered as read. No amendment to the bill shall be in order unless printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 6 of rule XXIII. The chairman of the Committee of the Whole may: (1) postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed question that follows another electronic vote without intervening business, provided that the minimum time for electronic voting on the first in any series of questions shall be 15 minutes. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SEC. 2. After passage of H.R. 2578, it shall be in order to consider in the House S. 1178. It shall be in order to move that the House strike all after the enacting clause of the Senate bill and insert in lieu thereof the provisions of H.R. 2578 as passed by the House.

When said resolution was considered.

After debate,

On motion of Mrs. MYRICK, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection and under the operation thereof, the resolution was agreed to.

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

¶25.15 VISA WAIVER PILOT PROGRAM

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. CHAMBLISS, pursuant to House Resolution 391 and rule XXIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 2578) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of non-immigrants who remain in the United States after the expiration of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. CHAMBLISS, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. SUNUNU as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

25.16 RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote by electronic device was ordered in the Committee of the Whole on the following amendment submitted by Mr. POMBO:

Page 2, after line 22, insert the following:

SEC. 3. QUALIFICATIONS FOR DESIGNATION AS PILOT PROGRAM COUNTRY.

Section 217(c)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1187(c)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

(2) QUALIFICATIONS.—Except as provided in subsection (g), a country may not be designated as a pilot program country unless the following requirements are met:

(A) LOW NONIMMIGRANT VISA REFUSAL RATE.—Either—

(i) the average number of refusals of non-immigrant visitor visas for nationals of that country during—

(I) the two previous full fiscal years was less than 2.0 percent of the total number of nonimmigrant visitor visas for nationals of that country which were granted or refused during those years; and

(II) either of such two previous full fiscal years was less than 2.5 percent of the total number of nonimmigrant visitor visas for nationals of that country which were granted or refused during that year; or

(ii) such refusal rate for nationals of that country during the previous full fiscal year was less than 3.0 percent.

(B) MACHINE READABLE PASSPORT PROGRAM.—The government of the country certifies that it has or is in the process of developing a program to issue machine-readable passports to its citizens.

(C) LAW ENFORCEMENT INTERESTS.—The Attorney General determines that the United States law enforcement interests would not be compromised by the designation of the country.”

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify and extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of non-immigrants who remain in the United States after the expiration of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General.”

It was decided in the Yeas 360 affirmative Nays 46

25.17 [Roll No. 70] AYES—360

- Abercrombie Burr
Ackerman Burton
Allen Buyer
Andrews Callahan
Archer Calvert
Armey Camp
Bachus Capps
Baldacci Carson
Barcia Castle
Barrett (NE) Chabot
Barrett (WI) Chambliss
Bartlett Chenoweth
Bass Christensen
Bateman Clay
Becerra Clayton
Bentsen Clement
Bereuter Clyburn
Berman Coble
Bilbray Coburn
Bilirakis Condit
Bishop Cook
Blagojevich Cooksey
Bliley Costello
Blumenauer Cox
Boehlert Coyne
Boehner Cramer
Bonilla Crane
Bonior Crapo
Borski Cubin
Boswell Cummings
Boucher Cunningham
Boyd Danner
Brown (CA) Davis (FL)
Brown (OH) Davis (IL)

- Foley
Forbes
Fossella
Fowler
Fox
Frank (MA)
Franks (NJ)
Frelinghuysen
Frost
Furse
Ganske
Gejdenson
Gekas
Gephardt
Gibbons
Gillmor
Gilman
Goode
Gordon
Goss
Graham
Greenwood
Gutiérrez
Gutknecht
Hall (OH)
Hamilton
Hansen
Hastert
Hastings (FL)
Hayworth
Hefley
Hefner
Herger
Hill
Hilleary
Hilliard
Hinojosa
Hobson
Hoekstra
Holden
Hooley
Horn
Hostettler
Hoyer
Hulshof
Hunter
Inglis
Jackson (IL)
Jenkins
John
Johnson (CT)
Johnson (WI)
Jones
Kanjorski
Kaptur
Kasich
Kelly
Kennedy (MA)
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Kildee
Kilpatrick
Kind (WI)
King (NY)
Kingston
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Klug
Knollenberg
Kolbe
Kucinich
LaFalce
LaHood
Lampson
Lantos
Largent
Latham
LaTourette
Lazio
Leach
Levin
Lewis (CA)
Lewis (GA)
Linder
Lipinski
Livingston

- Aderholt
Baesler
Baker
Ballenger
Barr
Barton
Berry
Blunt
Brady
Bryant
Bunning
Campbell

- LoBiondo
Lofgren
Lowey
Lucas
Luther
Maloney (CT)
Maloney (NY)
Manton
Manzullo
Markey
Martinez
Mascara
Matsui
McCarthy (MO)
McCarthy (NY)
McCrery
McGovern
McHale
McHugh
McInnis
McIntosh
McIntyre
McKeon
McKinney
McNulty
Meehan
Meek (FL)
Meeks (NY)
Menendez
Metcalfe
Mica
Miller (CA)
Miller (FL)
Minge
Mink
Moakley
Mollohan
Moran (KS)
Moran (VA)
Morella
Murtha
Myrick
Nadler
Neal
Nethercutt
Neumann
Ney
Northup
Norwood
Nussle
Oberstar
Obey
Oliver
Ortiz
Owens
Oxley
Packard
Pallone
Pappas
Parker
Pascrell
Pastor
Paul
Paxon
Pelosi
Peterson (MN)
Peterson (PA)
Petri
Pickering
Pickett
Pitts
Pombo
Pomeroy
Porter
Portman
Poshard
Price (NC)
Pryce (OH)
Quinn
Radanovich
Rahall
Ramstad
Redmond
Regula
Reyes
Riggs

- Canady
Collins
Combest
Deal
Emerson
Fawell
Gallegly
Gilchrest
Goodlatte
Goodling
Granger
Green

- Riley
Rivers
Rodriguez
Roemer
Rogan
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Roybal-Allard
Rush
Ryun
Sabo
Salmon
Sanchez
Sanders
Sandlin
Sawyer
Scarborough
Schaefer, Dan
Schaffer, Bob
Scott
Sensenbrenner
Serrano
Sessions
Shaw
Shays
Sherman
Shimkus
Shuster
Sisisky
Skaggs
Skeen
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (MI)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (OR)
Smith, Adam
Smith, Linda
Snyder
Souder
Spence
Spratt
Stabenow
Stark
Stenholm
Stokes
Strickland
Stupak
Sununu
Talent
Tanner
Tauscher
Tauzin
Taylor (NC)
Thomas
Thompson
Thornberry
Thune
Thurman
Tiahrt
Tierney
Torres
Traficant
Turner
Upton
Velazquez
Vento
Visclosky
Walsh
Wamp
Watkins
Watt (NC)
Waxman
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Weller
Wexler
Weygand
Whitfield
Wicker
Wise
Wolf
Woolsey
Wynn
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

- Hall (TX)
Hastings (WA)
Hutchinson
Hyde
Istook
Johnson, Sam
Kim
Lewis (KY)
McCollum
Pease
Rogers
Roukema

- Sanford
Shadegg
Smith (TX)
Snowbarger
Solomon
Stearns
Stump
Taylor (MS)
Watts (OK)
White

NOT VOTING—25

- Brown (FL)
Cannon
Cardin
Conyers
Ford
Gonzalez
Harman
Houghton
Jackson-Lee (TX)
Jefferson
Johnson, E. B.
Klecza
McDade
McDermott
Millender-
McDonald
Payne
Rangel
Rothman
Royce
Saxton
Schiff
Schumer
Towns
Waters
Yates

So the amendment was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. SNOWBARGER, Acting Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 391, reported the bill back to the House with sundry amendments adopted by the Committee.

The previous question having been ordered by said resolution.

The following amendments, reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, were agreed to:

Page 2, strike lines 1 through 5 and insert the following:

SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF VISA WAIVER PILOT PROGRAM.

Section 217(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act is amended by striking “1998.” and inserting “2000.”

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