

the State of Arizona to the Alpine Elementary School District 7 for use as a school and for school-related recreational facilities.

Although there were initially several concerns with the bill, H.R. 3547 was amended by the Resources Committee to address these issues. The changes made to the bill by the committee bring the bill in line with similar measures previously considered by the House. As a result we have no objection to this measure.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. DOOLITTLE. Mr. Speaker, I urge passage of the bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California [Mr. DOOLITTLE] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3547, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO FEDERAL OIL AND GAS ROYALTY MANAGEMENT ACT OF 1982

Mr. DOOLITTLE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4018) to make technical corrections in the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 4018

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

The Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982 is amended as follows:

(1) In section 3(25)(B) strike the word "provision" and insert in lieu thereof the word "provisions".

(2) In the second sentence of section 115(l) insert the word "so" before the word "demonstrate".

(3) In the first sentence of section 111(i) insert the word "not" after the word "shall".

(4) In the first sentence of section 111(j) strike the word "rate" and insert in lieu thereof the word "date".

(5) In the third and fourth sentences of section 111(j) strike the word "owned" and insert in lieu thereof the word "owed".

(6) In the third sentence of section 111(k)(4) strike the word "dues" and insert in lieu thereof the word "due".

(7) In section 117(b)(1)(C) strike the word "it" and insert in lieu thereof the word "its".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California [Mr. DOOLITTLE] and the gentleman from Hawaii [Mr. ABERCROMBIE] each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California [Mr. DOOLITTLE].

(Mr. DOOLITTLE asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DOOLITTLE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 4018, a bill making technical correc-

tions to the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982, as amended. This corrections bill is necessary because H.R. 1975, the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Simplification and Fairness Act of 1996, which we passed on July 16, 1996, in the House of Representatives and the Senate passed on August 2, contained typographical errors of commission and omission. H.R. 1975 amended the 1982 royalty management law. Senate Concurrent Resolution 70 was prepared and unanimously adopted in that body to instruct the House enrolling clerk to make the corrections to H.R. 1975, but the House had already recessed for the August district work period by the time that the other body had acted.

Working with administration officials, congressional leaders decided to send the uncorrected bill to the President for signature with the promise of a forthcoming corrections bill. Mr. Speaker, H.R. 4018 fulfills that obligation. I understand that the minority is in agreement with the technical corrections to law set forth in this bill, as is the administration. I urge my colleagues to pass the bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ABERCROMBIE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, as the gentleman from California [Mr. DOOLITTLE] indicated, the administration is in favor of this bill before us on the basis of the technical corrections that are contained in it. I have a copy of the statement of the administration policy on that.

Mr. Speaker, as previously indicated, these are technical amendments to correct inadvertent errors in the royalty fairness bill that was enacted prior to the August recess. The bill was signed by President Clinton at a ceremony in Wyoming.

I want to make clear for other Members who may not be entirely familiar with the legislation that the technical amendments clarify the requirements and the provisions for Government paying interest on overpayments as well as addressing some typographical errors.

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Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. DOOLITTLE. Mr. Speaker, I urge passage of the bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WICKER). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California [Mr. DOOLITTLE] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4018.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION ACT

Mr. DOOLITTLE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1179) to authorize appropriations for the preservation and restoration of historic buildings at historically black colleges and universities, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1179

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES HISTORIC BUILDING RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION.

(a) AUTHORITY TO MAKE GRANTS.—From the amounts made available to carry out the National Historic Preservation Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall make grants in accordance with this section to eligible historically black colleges and universities for the preservation and restoration of historic buildings and structures on the campus of these institutions.

(b) GRANT CONDITIONS.—Grants made under subsection (a) shall be subject to the conditions that the grantee covenants, for the period of time specified by the Secretary that—

(1) no alteration will be made in the property with respect to which the grant is made without the concurrence of the Secretary; and

(2) reasonable public access to the property with respect to which the grant is made will be permitted by the grantee for interpretive and educational purposes.

(c) MATCHING REQUIREMENT FOR BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES LISTED ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES.—(1) Except as provided by paragraph (2), the Secretary may obligate funds made available under this section for a grant with respect to a building or structure listed on, or eligible for listing on, the National Register of Historic Places only if the grantee agrees to match from funds derived from non-Federal sources, the amount of the grant with an amount that is equal or greater than the grant.

(2) The Secretary may waive paragraph (1) with respect to a grant if the Secretary determines from circumstances that an extreme emergency exists or that such a waiver is in the public interest to assure the preservation of historically significant resources.

(d) FUNDING PROVISION.—Pursuant to section 108 of the National Historic Preservation Act, \$29,000,000 shall be made available to carry out the purposes of this section. Of amounts made available pursuant to this section, \$5,000,000 shall be available for grants to Fisk University, \$2,500,000 shall be available for grants to Knoxville College, \$2,000,000 shall be available for grants to Miles College, Alabama, \$1,500,000 shall be available for grants to Talladega College, Alabama, \$1,550,000 shall be available for grants to Selma University, Alabama, \$250,000 shall be available for grants to Stillman College, Alabama, \$200,000 shall be available for grants to Concordia College, Alabama \$2,900,000 shall be available for grants to Allen University, South Carolina, \$1,000,000 shall be available for grants to Claflin College, South Carolina, \$2,000,000 shall be available for grants to Voorhees College, South Carolina, \$1,000,000 shall be available for grants to Rust College, Mississippi, and \$3,000,000 shall be available for grants to Tougaloo University, Mississippi.

(e) REGULATIONS.—The SECRETARY shall develop such guidelines as may be necessary to carry out this section.