

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE EAST FRONT OF THE CAPITOL GROUNDS FOR PERFORMANCES SPONSORED BY THE JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

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. 52]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to whom was referred the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 52) authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the concurrent resolution be agreed to.

House Concurrent Resolution 52, authorizes the use of the Capitol Grounds for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Millennium Stage concerts scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays between Memorial Day and September 30, 1999, or on such days 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 and the Capitol Police Board to take such actions and prescribe such conditions as necessary for carrying out the event in complete compliance with the rules and regulations governing the use of the Capitol Grounds. The events will be open to the public and free of admission charge. In addition, sales, advertisements, and solicitations are explicitly prohibited on the Capitol Grounds for this event.

The concerts on the East Front Lawn of the Capitol will be bi-weekly from 12 noon to 1:00 P.M. and provide local residents and tourists visiting the Nation's Capitol the opportunity to attend performances by a variety of music genres.

COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

On March 11, 1999, the Committee met in open session and ordered reported H. Con. Res. 52, to authorize the use of the Capitol Grounds for Millennium Stage concerts, 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. 52.

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. 52 reported. A motion by Mr. Franks to order H. Con. Res. 52 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. 52.

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. 52 from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

H. Con. Res. 52—Authorizing the use of the east front of the Capitol grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

H. Con. Res. 52 would authorize the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, in cooperation with the National Park Service, to sponsor public performances on the east front of the Capitol grounds at such dates and times as jointly approved by the

Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration. CBO estimates that passage of H. Con. Res. 52 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.