

This hatchery, which consists of about 78 acres, is currently being operated by the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources under a long-term agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

This hatchery was 1 of 11 identified by the Clinton administration for transfer to the States in fiscal year 1996 because it is no longer an essential component of the Fish and Wildlife Service's nationwide stocking program.

Based on testimony the subcommittee received, however, it is clear that Walhalla is extremely important to the State of South Carolina because it is the only public source for brown trout, there is no reasonable alternative for stocking the State's waters, and, without these fish, there is no viable sport fishing for trout. There are 45,800 trout anglers in the State of South Carolina and this activity produces an annual economic impact of over \$12 million.

This bill contains language that stipulates the property will be returned to the Federal Government if it is used for something other than the authorized purposes.

I urge an "aye" vote on this legislation and compliment LINDSEY GRAHAM for his outstanding leadership in this matter.

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

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. SAXTON] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3546, 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.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous material on H.R. 3546, the bill just passed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

#### MARION NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY CONVEYANCE ACT

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3557) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Marion National Fish Hatchery to the State of Alabama, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 3557

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

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Marion National Fish Hatchery Act".

#### SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF MARION NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY AND CLAUDE HARRIS NATIONAL AQUACULTURAL RESEARCH CENTER TO THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

(a) CONVEYANCE REQUIREMENT.—Within 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall convey to the State of Alabama without reimbursement all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the property described in subsection (b) for use by the Game and Fish Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources as part of the State of Alabama fish culture program.

(b) PROPERTY DESCRIBED.—The property referred to in subsection (a) consists of—

(1) that portion of the Marion National Fish Hatchery leased to the Alabama Game and Fish Division, located on State Highway 175 seven miles northeast of Marion, Alabama, as described in Amendment No. 2 to the Cooperative Agreement dated June 6, 1974, between the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the State of Alabama, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Game and Fish Division, comprised of approximately 300 acres (more or less), and the Claude Harris National Aquacultural Research Center, located on State Highway 175 seven miles northeast of Marion, Alabama, as described in a United States Fish and Wildlife Service document entitled "EXHIBIT A" and dated March 19, 1996, comprised of approximately 298 acres (more or less);

(2) all improvements and related personal property under the control of the Secretary that is located on that property, including buildings, structures, equipment, and all easements and leases relating to that property; and

(3) all water rights relating to that property.

(c) REVERSIONARY INTEREST.—If any of the property conveyed to the State of Alabama under this section is used for any purpose other than the use authorized under subsection (a), all right, title, and interest in and to all property conveyed under this section shall revert to the United States. The State of Alabama shall ensure that all property reverting to the United States under this subsection is in substantially the same or better condition as at the time of transfer to the State.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. SAXTON] and the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. STUDDS] each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. SAXTON].

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

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

Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the opportunity to discuss this bill, H.R. 3557, the Marion National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act. H.R. 3557 was introduced by Congressman EARL HILLIARD on May 30, 1996.

This bill is similar to measures that transferred the Corning, Fairport, and New London Fish Hatcheries to the States. Under the terms of this bill, the Secretary of the Interior shall convey to the State of Alabama, within 180 days of enactment and without reimbursement, all right, title, and interest to the Marion Hatchery. The facility will be used by the Game and Fish Di-

vision of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the State's fish culture program. The proposal also contains a reversionary clause that stipulates that the property will be returned to the Federal Government if it is used for something other than fishery resources management and fisheries-related activities.

In the most recent real estate assessment in 1994, the property was valued at \$465,000 and the structures have been assessed at \$1,062,000 according to the Realty Division of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The State has indicated that it has spent over \$2 million on facility improvements and renovations since it assumed operational control in 1974.

I urge all Members to support this noncontroversial bill.

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

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

Mr. Speaker, once again this is a bill without controversy, a transfer of a hatchery. We also have an amendment offered breathtakingly at the last moment by the distinguished gentleman from Alabama [Mr. HILLIARD] which caused a flurry of parliamentary frowns, though I trust no procedural nightmares have been elicited by the gentleman.

Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. HILLIARD] to explain his amendment, so long as it is not too much.

Mr. HILLIARD. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. STUDDS] very much for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, to the Speaker, the minority leader and the majority leader, let me say that this is a bill with an amendment. The bill, in essence, seeks to transfer from the control of the Federal Government to the State of Alabama the Marion Fish Hatchery.

The amendment seeks to transfer from the Federal Government not only the Marion Fish Hatchery, but also the Marion Research Center. At the same time, the amendment renames the Marion Fish Hatchery the Claude Harris National Aquatic Research Center.

Claude Harris was my predecessor here. He worked tirelessly to put together the Marion Fish Hatchery and Research Center and we feel it would be fitting to name it after him.

Mr. STUDDS. Mr. Speaker, in closing I note that the gentleman from New Jersey is apparently in possession of the pen that the President will use to sign the extension of the Magnuson Act when the time comes.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I support H.R. 3557, the Marion National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act, introduced by our colleague from Alabama, EARL HILLIARD.

The legislation will transfer the 300 acres that comprise the Marion Hatchery to the State of Alabama. This facility has been effectively operated by the Alabama Game and Fish Division for over 20 years and during that

time it has produced thousands of bluegills, channel catfish, largemouth bass, striped bass, and hybrid striped bass fingerlings. These fish are used to stock over 500,000 acres of public waters in the State of Alabama and they are available to over 530,000 licensed sport anglers.

In addition, the Marion Fish Hatchery has provided over 1.3 million gulf striped bass fry to 3 Federal and 2 neighboring State hatcheries and over 270,000 gulf striped bass fingerlings to support Federal and State programs in the State of Florida.

Finally, the State of Alabama has spent over \$2 million on facility improvements and renovations at the Marion National Fish Hatchery since it assumed operational control. The Alabama Game and Fish Division has stated that "the Division will continue to utilize the facility for the production of fish to enhance the freshwaters of Alabama and the thousands of people who enjoy fishing these waters."

I urge an "aye" vote on this legislation which has been endorsed by both the Clinton administration and the Governor of the State of Alabama, the Honorable Fob James, Jr.

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

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. SAXTON] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3557, 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.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: "A bill direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Marion National Fish Hatchery and the Claude Harris National Aquacultural Research Center to the State of Alabama."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous material on H.R. 3557, the bill just passed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

#### 2002 WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES FACILITATION ACT

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3907) to facilitate the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in the State of Utah at the snowbasin ski area, to provide for the acquisition of lands within the Sterling Forest Reserve, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 3907

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

#### TITLE I—SNOWBASIN SKI AREA

##### SEC. 101. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "2002 Winter Olympic Games Facilitation Act".

##### SEC. 102. FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds that—

(1) in June 1995, Salt Lake City, Utah, was selected to host the 2002 Winter Olympic Games, and the Snowbasin Ski Resort, which is owned by the Sun Valley Company, was identified as the site of six Olympic events: the men's and women's downhill, men's and women's Super-Gs, and men's and women's combined downhill;

(2) in order to adequately accommodate these events, which are traditionally among the most popular and heavily attended at the Winter Olympic Games, major new skiing, visitor, and support facilities will have to be constructed at the Snowbasin Ski Resort on land currently administered by the United States Forest Service;

(3) while certain of these new facilities can be accommodated on National Forest land under traditional Forest Service permitting authorities, the base area facilities necessary to host visitors to the ski area and the Winter Olympics are of such a nature that they should logically be located on private land;

(4) land exchanges have been routinely utilized by the Forest Service to transfer base area lands to many other ski areas, and the Forest Service and the Sun Valley Company have concluded that a land exchange to transfer base area lands at the Snowbasin Ski Resort to the Sun Valley Company is both logical and advisable;

(5) an environmental impact statement and numerous resource studies have been completed by the Forest Service and the Sun Valley Company for the lands proposed to be transferred to the Sun Valley Company by this title;

(6) the Sun Valley Company has assembled lands with outstanding environmental, recreational, and other values to convey to the Forest Service in return for the lands it will receive in the exchange, and the Forest Service has identified such lands as desirable for acquisition by the United States; and

(7) completion of a land exchange and approval of a development plan for Olympic related facilities at the Snowbasin Ski Resort is essential to ensure that all necessary facilities can be constructed, tested for safety and other purposes, and become fully operational in advance of the 2002 Winter Olympics and earlier pre-Olympic events.

(b) DETERMINATION.—The Congress has reviewed the previous analyses and studies of the lands to be exchanged and developed pursuant to this title, and has made its own review of these lands and issues involved, and on the basis of those reviews hereby finds and determines that a legislated land exchange and development plan approval is necessary to meet Olympic goals and timetables.

##### SEC. 103. SNOWBASIN LAND EXCHANGE.

(a) PURPOSE AND INTENT.—The purpose of this section is to authorize and direct the Secretary to exchange 1,320 acres of federally-owned land within the Cache National Forest in the State of Utah for lands of approximately equal value owned by the Sun Valley Company. It is the intent of Congress that this exchange be completed without delay within the period specified by subsection (d).

(b) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section:

(1) The term "Sun Valley Company" means the Sun Valley Company, a division of Sinclair Oil Corporation, a Wyoming Corporation, or its successors or assigns.

(2) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of Agriculture.

(c) EXCHANGE.—

(1) FEDERAL SELECTED LANDS.—(A) Not later than 45 days after the final determination of value of the Federal selected lands, the Secretary shall, subject to this section, transfer all right, title, and interest of the United States in

and to the lands referred to in subparagraph (B) to the Sun Valley Company.

(B) The lands referred to in subparagraph (A) are certain lands within the Cache National Forest in the State of Utah comprising 1,320 acres, more or less, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Snowbasin Land Exchange—Proposed" and dated October 1995.

(2) NON-FEDERAL OFFERED LANDS.—Upon transfer of the Federal selected lands under paragraph (1), and in exchange for those lands, the Sun Valley Company shall simultaneously convey to the Secretary all right, title and interest of the Sun Valley Company in and to so much of the following offered lands which have been previously identified by the United States Forest Service as desirable by the United States, or which are identified pursuant to subparagraph (E) prior to the transfer of lands under paragraph (1), as are of approximate equal value to the Federal selected lands:

(A) Certain lands located within the exterior boundaries of the Cache National Forest in Weber County, Utah, which comprise approximately 640 acres and are generally depicted on a map entitled "Lightning Ridge Offered Lands", dated October 1995.

(B) Certain lands located within the Cache National Forest in Weber County, Utah, which comprise approximately 635 acres and are generally depicted on a map entitled "Wheeler Creek Watershed Offered Lands—Section 21" dated October 1995.

(C) Certain lands located within the exterior boundaries of the Cache National Forest in Weber County, Utah, and lying immediately adjacent to the outskirts of the City of Ogden, Utah, which comprise approximately 800 acres and are generally depicted on a map entitled "Taylor Canyon Offered Lands", dated October 1995.

(D) Certain lands located within the exterior boundaries of the Cache National Forest in Weber County, Utah, which comprise approximately 2,040 acres and are generally depicted on a map entitled "North Fork Ogden River—Devil's Gate Valley", dated October 1995.

(E) Such additional offered lands in the State of Utah as may be necessary to make the values of the lands exchanged pursuant to this section approximately equal, and which are acceptable to the Secretary.

(3) SUBSTITUTION OF OFFERED LANDS.—If one or more of the precise offered land parcels identified in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (2) is unable to be conveyed to the United States due to appraisal or other reasons, or if the Secretary and the Sun Valley Company mutually agree and the Secretary determines that an alternative offered land package would better serve long term public needs and objectives, the Sun Valley Company may simultaneously convey to the United States alternative offered lands in the State of Utah acceptable to the Secretary in lieu of any or all of the lands identified in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (2).

(4) VALUATION AND APPRAISALS.—(A) Values of the lands to be exchanged pursuant to this section shall be equal as determined by the Secretary utilizing nationally recognized appraisal standards and in accordance with section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976. The appraisal reports shall be written to Federal standards as defined in the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions. If, due to size, location, or use of lands exchanged under this section, the values are not exactly equal, they shall be equalized by the payment of cash equalization money to the Secretary or the Sun Valley Company as appropriate in accordance with section 206(b) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716(b)). In order to expedite the consummation of the exchange directed by this section, the Sun Valley Company shall arrange and pay for appraisals of the offered and selected lands by a qualified appraiser with experience in appraising similar properties and who