

## ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY CELEBRATION

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Mr. BYRD, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following

### R E P O R T

[To accompany H. R. 8705]

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 8705) to permit articles imported from foreign countries for the purpose of exhibition at the St. Lawrence seaway celebration, to be held at Chicago, Ill., to be admitted without payment of tariff, and for other purposes, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

#### PURPOSE

The purpose of H. R. 8705 is to permit the entry, free of duty, of articles imported for exhibition at the St. Lawrence seaway celebration to be held at Chicago, Ill., from January 1, 1959, to December 31, 1959, inclusive.

#### GENERAL STATEMENT

This bill follows the pattern of previous legislation enacted by the Congress in connection with various international exhibitions, expositions, and fairs held in the United States.

It has long been the policy of the Congress to facilitate participation of foreign countries in international expositions held in the United States by permitting articles intended for display at these expositions to be entered free of import duties and charges under safeguarding regulations of the Secretary of the Treasury.

The St. Lawrence seaway celebration is to be held at Chicago, Ill., from January 1, 1959, to December 31, 1959, inclusive, by the St. Lawrence Seaway Celebration Commission, Inc.

H. R. 8705 provides that the imported articles shall not be subject to marking requirements of the general tariff laws except when such articles are withdrawn for consumption or use in the United States. Articles admitted may be lawfully sold at any time during or within 3 months after the close of the exposition, subject to such regulations for the security of the revenue and for the collection of import duties as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe.

