

FREE ENTRY OF AN ELECTRON MICROSCOPE FOR THE WILLIAM MARSH RICE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON, TEX., AND AN ELECTRON MICROSCOPE FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO MEDICAL CENTER, DENVER, COLO.

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

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 11573]

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 11573) to provide for the free entry of an electron microscope for the use of William Marsh Rice University of Houston, Tex., and an electron microscope for the use of the University of Colorado Medical Center, Denver, Colo., having considered the same, report favorably thereon with amendments, and recommend that the bill, as amended, do pass.

AMENDMENT

The Finance Committee added to the bill a proviso authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to admit free of duty grain milling equipment and appurtenances imported for the use of Kansas State University in the building being constructed for the department of flour and feed milling industries at that university.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

H.R. 11573 would permit the duty-free entry of an electron microscope for the use of the William Marsh Rice University of Houston, Tex., and an electron microscope for the use of the University of Colorado Medical Center, Denver, Colo. The amendment would extend this duty-free status to grain milling equipment to be used for educational and research purposes at Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kans.

GENERAL STATEMENT

The William Marsh Rice University of Houston, Tex., and the University of Colorado Medical Center of Denver, Colo., have each procured from abroad a highly specialized electron microscope for use in connection with their research and educational activities. In view of the general public interest in developing and advancing scientific research and inquiry and because of the highly technical character of the research in which these expensive and specialized microscopes play a part, the Finance Committee feels that the institutions should not be burdened with the substantial import duties which otherwise would be required.

The same applies to the specialized milling equipment for the use of Kansas State University. Several foreign countries are supplying the various technical parts for the grain mill and a considerable portion is being donated free of charge making it possible for the school to embark on a research and educational program for the improvement of the milling industry. It is the unanimous feeling of the committee that H.R. 11573, as amended, should be enacted.

