

DUTY-FREE ENTRY OF SHIP MODEL FOR LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE COVENANT, MAPLE HEIGHTS, OHIO

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Mr. LONG of Louisiana, from the Committee on Finance, submitted
the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H.R. 3029]

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 3029) to provide for the free entry of one ship model for the use of the Lutheran Church of the Covenant, Maple Heights, Ohio, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE

The purpose of H.R. 3029 is to provide for the free entry of one ship model for the use of the Lutheran Church of the Covenant, Maple Heights, Ohio.

GENERAL STATEMENT

H.R. 3029 would direct the Secretary of the Treasury to admit free of duty one ship model for the use of the Lutheran Church of the Covenant, Maple Heights, Ohio. The bill further provides, that if the liquidation of the entry of the article has become final, such entry shall be reliquidated and appropriate refund of duty made.

The committee is advised that the ship model, which was made in Denmark, is a replica, approximately 53 by 40 inches in size, of the German ship *Olbers* which in 1839 brought from Europe a group of immigrants who established the Missouri Synod of the Lutheran Church. The model is to be hung in the nave of the church and is intended to serve as a memorial to these founders.

Your committee was also advised by the Department of Commerce that the model was given to the church by its pastor and that the pastor "attempted, without success, to have a model of this particular ship made in the United States."

In the circumstances, the Committee on Finance, like the Committee on Ways and Means of the House, is of the opinion that this legislation is meritorious and consistent with prior legislation of this nature, and recommends its enactment.

