

CHICAGOLAND COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY EXPOSITION

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

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 4803]

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 4803) to permit articles imported from foreign countries for the purpose of exhibition at the Chicagoland Commerce and Industry Exposition, 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. 4803 is to permit the entry, free of duty, of articles imported for exhibition at the Chicagoland Commerce and Industry Exposition to be held at Chicago, Ill.

GENERAL STATEMENT

Your committee's 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 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 Chicagoland Commerce and Industry Exposition is to be held at Chicago, Ill., from June 28, 1957, to July 14, 1957, inclusive, under the auspices of the Chicagoland Commerce and Industry Exposition, Inc. This corporation, in the interest of attracting workers to the Chicagoland area to relieve an acute shortage of personnel for business and industry, will emphasize Chicago's attractiveness as a place to locate permanently and will show its wider market for foreign products from worldwide manufacturers.

H. R. 4803, as reported, provides that the imported articles shall not be subject to marketing requirements of the general tariff laws except when such articles are withdrawn for consumption or use in the United States.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.

