

sponsor this bill and bring it to the floor.

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

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, I think if you take a look at what this entire subcommittee and committee has done this year, it is very, very noteworthy; from a disabled bill, to a tuna-dolphin bill, as well as future legislation, in a bipartisan way. It is gratifying when we have so many bad days, "bad hair" days here in Congress, that this subcommittee and committee has "good hair" days for us, and I appreciate it.

The gentleman from American Samoa (Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA), see, that is not bad for an Irish kid from northern L.A., but I would like to thank him for his support for this.

Who I would really like to thank is a staffer named Tim Charters. Tim has poured his life and his lifeblood into this. Here is a young man that knew very little about conservation and the outdoors; and in the last 2 years, I cannot keep him out of the woods, and I cannot keep him out from looking and working in conservation programs. So I would like to thank Tim Charters.

I thank the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. TANNER), the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. DINGELL), and the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. WELDON), that have helped make this possible, and the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. GILCHREST) in the full committee, along with the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE). It is gratifying.

But I will not reiterate some of the things that my colleague, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SAXTON), chairman of the committee, has said, but this money used from the duck stamp is basically used to buy property for conservation.

In every State, we have lands where there is MSP or whether we are trying to connect lands so that critters can grow and have a quarter to prosper, there is never enough funds. With a dwindling of the duck stamp, we are looking for new ways to generate revenue.

The duck stamp group had, there is precedence for this because what they have done in the past is even made quilts and got a contract to make quilts with the duck stamp on it and other images of it, and we sell that to earn money to buy property for the environment and conservation programs like this one.

So it is a good bill, and it is bipartisan. Very few people know that this entire program started in 1934, the duck stamp. It has been immensely popular and it has been successful and at the same time responsible.

One supporter of this plan is Mr. James Mosher, a conservation director for the Izaak Walton League, who says this legislation will significantly increase revenue from duck sales, consequently leading to the enhancement

of habitat acquisition and migratory bird conservation.

We have some tremendous problems with migratory birds, for example, the Salton Sea in which the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. BONO) is trying to save.

Migratory birds are at risk. We need to protect them. Some of our wetlands are at risk. This bill helps that.

I would like to submit the rest of my statement for the RECORD, and it is with gratification and much happiness that I support this bill, ask my colleagues to support it and want to personally thank them for all their help.

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. I yield to the gentleman from American Samoa.

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA. Mr. Speaker, I would like to again thank the gentleman for his eloquent statement. Maybe something that our colleagues here in the House and even the American public do not know, but the fact is that watching birds is a \$20 billion industry here in America.

I want to say to my good friend, the gentleman from California (Mr. CUNNINGHAM), for myself, who actually experienced seeing these terns who come all the way from Alaska to Hawaii and even to my islands in Samoa, just to watch these little birds, it is amazing how these little birds can fly for such a tremendous distance.

I am sure that my good friend, who is an excellent jet fighter pilot, can attest to the fact that it is amazing how nature and how these migratory birds can fly for so far and yet be so small in form. It is just amazing.

I think it is an excellent way to promote that we need more funds, and I sincerely hope that this legislation will pass. Again, I want to commend the gentleman for yielding to me.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, this is a private/public partnership in which we engage, and I thank the gentleman.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Promotion Act (H.R. 4248). I am proud to be joined in this effort by my fellow Sportsmen's Caucus Co-Chairman JOHN TANNER and Migratory Bird Conservation Committee members, Representative JOHN DINGELL and Representative CURT WELDON.

This legislation will allow the Federal Duck Stamp office to use money from the Migratory Bird Conservation Fund (MBCF) to create an advertising program for the promotion of the federal duck stamp. This promotional program will be similar to the program used by the Postal Service to promote its stamp sales and stamp collecting.

Since Congress created the Federal Duck Stamp in 1934, it has been one of America's most successful conservation initiatives. It has generated more than \$500 million for the conservation of wildlife habitat. This money has permanently protected more than 5 million acres of prime wildlife habitat. This program is successful. It is also responsible, because it focuses 98 percent of the program's revenue to purchase habitat.

H.R. 4248 is important because in recent years duck stamp sales have leveled off. Unless we find new ways to promote the Duck Stamp and generate additional revenues, the MBCF will be unable to keep pace with the increasing costs of purchasing land for conservation. By passing this legislation, the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission will be able to promote the benefits of the Federal Duck Stamp. In doing so, they will sell more stamps and generate more funds for habitat conservation.

One supporter of this plan is Mr. James Mosher, Conservation Director for the Izaak Walton League, says this "legislation will significantly increase revenue from stamp sales, consequently leading to enhancement of habitat acquisition and migratory bird conservation efforts."

This legislation has some precedence. In 1984, Congress allowed the Migratory Bird Conservation Committee to use MBCF funds to administer a program to license the image of the Duck Stamp. Today the Duck Stamp image is printed on products like throw rugs, T-shirts, ties, and other items. These licensing agreements generated \$65 thousand in 1997, and more than \$770 thousand since 1984. This additional funding has been added to the MBCF and used to protect and preserve habitat.

Mr. Chairman, one may ask whether money we use for the Duck Stamp promotion program wouldn't be better invested in habitat conservation. In fact, Ducks Unlimited, one of America's most prominent conservation organizations, addressed that exact issue in its letter of support for this legislation.

Quoting from Mr. Scott Sutherland and Mr. Fred Abraham's letter, "While Ducks Unlimited is always concerned that the maximum amount of funds raised actually go into protecting habitat in the refuge system, we believe that this temporary set-aside for marketing will eventually lead to more funds being available for the refuge system."

This legislation is supported by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Federal Duck Stamp Office, Ducks Unlimited, the Wildlife Legislative Fund of America, and the Izaak Walton League.

I urge my colleagues to join me and pass this legislation and preserve more of our nation's wildlife habitat.

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA. Mr. Speaker, I have no additional speakers, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, I also have no additional speakers, 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. 4248, 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 on H.R. 4248, the bill just passed.

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

There was no objection.

ENERGY CONSERVATION REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1998

Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4017) to extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act and the Energy Conservation and Production Act, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 4017

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 "Energy Conservation Reauthorization Act of 1998".

SEC. 2. ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT AMENDMENTS.

(a) STATE ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAM.—Section 365(f) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6325(f)) is amended to read as follows:

"(f) For the purpose of carrying out this part, there are authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years 1999 through 2003 such sums as may be necessary."

(b) SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS.—Section 397 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6371f) is amended to read as follows:

"AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

"SEC. 397. For the purpose of carrying out this part, there are authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years 1999 through 2003 such sums as may be necessary."

SEC. 3. ENERGY CONSERVATION AND PRODUCTION ACT AMENDMENT.

Section 422 of the Energy Conservation and Production Act (42 U.S.C. 6872) is amended to read as follows:

"AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

"SEC. 422. For the purpose of carrying out the weatherization program under this part, there are authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years 1999 through 2003 such sums as may be necessary."

SEC. 4. ENERGY SAVINGS PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS.

(a) SUNSET.—Section 801(c) of the National Energy Conservation Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 8287(c)) is amended by striking "five years after" and all that follows through "subsection (b)" and inserting "on October 1, 2003".

(b) DEFINITION.—Section 804(1) of the National Energy Conservation Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 8287c(1)) is amended to read as follows:

"(1) The term 'Federal agency' means each authority of the Government of the United States, whether or not it is within or subject to review by another agency."

SEC. 5. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.

(a) ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT.—The Energy Policy and Conservation Act is amended—

(1) in the table of contents—

(A) by striking "Sec. 301." and all that follows through "Reports to Congress.";

(B) by striking "efficiency" and inserting "conservation" in the item relating to section 325;

(C) by striking "and private labelers" in the item relating to section 326;

(D) by striking the items relating to part E of title III;

(E) by inserting after the items relating to part I of title III the following:

"PART J—ENCOURAGING THE USE OF ALTERNATIVE FUELS

"Sec. 400AA. Alternative fuel use by light duty Federal vehicles.

"Sec. 400BB. Alternative fuels truck commercial application program.

"Sec. 400CC. Alternative fuels bus program.

"Sec. 400DD. Interagency Commission on Alternative Motor Fuels.

"Sec. 400EE. Studies and reports.";

(F) by inserting "Environmental" after "Energy Supply and" in the item relating to section 505; and

(G) by striking the item relating to section 527;

(2) in section 321(1) (42 U.S.C. 6291(1))—

(A) by striking "section 501(1) of the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act" and inserting "section 32901(a)(3) of title 49, United States Code"; and

(B) by striking the second period at the end thereof;

(3) in section 322(b)(2)(A) (42 U.S.C. 6292(b)(2)(A)) by inserting close quotation marks after "type of product";

(4) in section 324(a)(2)(C)(ii) (42 U.S.C. 6294(a)(2)(C)(ii)) by striking "section 325(j)" and inserting "section 325(i)";

(5) in section 325 (42 U.S.C. 6295)—

(A) by striking "paragraphs" in subsection (e)(4)(A) and inserting "paragraph"; and

(B) by striking "BALLASTS;" in the heading of subsection (g) and inserting "BALLASTS";

(6) in section 336(c)(2) (42 U.S.C. 6306(c)(2)) by striking "section 325(k)" and inserting "section 325(n)";

(7) in section 345(c) (42 U.S.C. 6316(c)) by inserting "standard" after "meets the applicable";

(8) in section 362 (42 U.S.C. 6322)—

(A) by inserting "of" after "of the implementation" in subsection (a)(1); and

(B) by striking "subsection (g)" and inserting "subsection (f)(2)" in subsection (d)(12);

(9) in section 391(2)(B) (42 U.S.C. 6371(2)(B)) by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon;

(10) in section 394(a) (42 U.S.C. 6371c(a))—

(A) by striking the commas at the end of paragraphs (1), (3), and (5) and inserting semicolons;

(B) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (2) and inserting a semicolon; and

(C) by striking the colon at the end of paragraph (6) and inserting a semicolon;

(11) in section 400 (42 U.S.C. 6371i) by striking "(a)";

(12) in section 400D(a) (42 U.S.C. 6372c(a)) by striking the commas at the end of paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) and inserting semicolons;

(13) in section 400I(b) (42 U.S.C. 6372h(b)) by striking "Secretary shall," and inserting "Secretary shall";

(14) in section 400AA (42 U.S.C. 6374) by redesignating subsection (i) as subsection (h);

(15) in section 503 (42 U.S.C. 6383)—

(A) by striking "with respect to" and inserting "with respect to" in subsection (b); and

(B) by striking "controlling" and inserting "controlling," in subsection (c)(1); and

(16) in section 552(d)(5)(A) (42 U.S.C. 6422(d)(5)(A)) by striking "notion" and inserting "motion".

(b) ENERGY CONSERVATION AND PRODUCTION ACT.—The Energy Conservation and Production Act is amended—

(1) in the table of contents—

(A) by striking "rules and regulations" and inserting "regulations and rulings" in the item relating to section 106; and

(B) by striking the item relating to section 207 and inserting the following:

"Sec. 207. State utility regulatory assistance.

"Sec. 208. Authorization of appropriations."; and

(2) in section 202 (42 U.S.C. 6802) by striking "(b) DEFINITIONS.—"

(c) NATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION POLICY ACT.—The National Energy Conservation Policy Act is amended—

(1) in the table of contents—

(A) by striking "installation, and financing" and inserting "and installation" in the item relating to section 216;

(B) by striking "Ratings" and inserting "Rating Guidelines" in the item relating to part 6 of title II;

(C) by striking the item relating to section 304; and

(D) by striking "goals" and inserting "requirements" in the item relating to section 543;

(2) in section 216(d)(1)(C) (42 U.S.C. 8217(d)(1)(C)) by striking "explicitly" and inserting "explicitly";

(3) in section 251(b)(1) (42 U.S.C. 8231(b)(1))—

(A) by striking "National Housing Act to projects" and inserting "National Housing Act) to projects"; and

(B) by striking "accure" and inserting "accrue";

(4) in section 266 (42 U.S.C. 8235e) by striking "(17 U.S.C." and inserting "(15 U.S.C."; and

(5) in section 551(8) (42 U.S.C. 8259(8)) by striking "goethermal" and inserting "geothermal".

SEC. 6. MATERIALS ALLOCATION AUTHORITY EXTENSION.

Section 104(b) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act is amended by striking "(1) The authority" and all that follows through "(2)".

SEC. 7. BIODIESEL FUEL USE CREDITS.

(a) AMENDMENT.—Title III of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13211-13219) is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"SEC. 312. BIODIESEL FUEL USE CREDITS.

"(a) ALLOCATION OF CREDITS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall allocate one credit under this section to a fleet or covered person for each qualifying volume of the biodiesel component of fuel containing at least 20 percent biodiesel by volume purchased after the date of the enactment of this section for use by the fleet or covered person in vehicles owned or operated by the fleet or covered person that weigh more than 8,500 pounds gross vehicle weight rating.

"(2) EXCEPTIONS.—No credits shall be allocated under paragraph (1) for a purchase of biodiesel—

"(A) for use in alternative fueled vehicles; or

"(B) that is required by Federal or State law.

"(3) AUTHORITY TO MODIFY PERCENTAGE.—The Secretary may, by rule, lower the 20 percent biodiesel volume requirement in paragraph (1) for reasons related to cold start, safety, or vehicle function considerations.

"(4) DOCUMENTATION.—A fleet or covered person seeking a credit under this section shall provide written documentation to the Secretary supporting the allocation of a credit to such fleet or covered person under paragraph (1).

"(b) USE OF CREDITS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—At the request of a fleet or covered person allocated a credit under subsection (a), the Secretary shall, for the year in which the purchase of a qualifying volume is made, treat that purchase as the acquisition of one alternative fueled vehicle the fleet or covered person is required to acquire under this title, title IV, or title V.

"(2) LIMITATION.—Credits allocated under subsection (a) may not be used to satisfy