

E. ROSS ADAIR FEDERAL BUILDING AND UNITED STATES  
COURTHOUSE

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MARCH 23, 2000.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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Mr. SHUSTER, from the Committee on Transportation and  
Infrastructure, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 2412]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 2412) to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 1300 South Harrison Street in Fort Wayne, Indiana, as the “E. Ross Adair Federal Building and United States Courthouse”, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

Edwin Ross Adair was born on December 14, 1907. He graduated from Albion High School in Noble County, Indiana and continued his education at Hillsdale College in Michigan. He went on to study law at George Washington University Law Center and was admitted to the Indiana Bar in 1933.

Adair volunteered to serve as lieutenant in World War II and was awarded battle stars for Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, Rhine and Central European campaigns. After the war Adair returned to Indiana to continue his law practice and later served as Allen County Probate Commissioner.

In 1951, Adair began his 20-year term in the U.S. House of Representatives. He was an active member on the Veterans Affairs Committee and Committee on Committees and was the Ranking Member on the House Foreign Affairs Committee. After leaving Congress, President Nixon appointed Adair U.S. Ambassador to Ethiopia, a post he held until 1974.

Adair received honorary Doctor of Laws degrees from the Indiana Institute of Technology and Indiana University. He was a member of the Southgate Masonic Lodge, Forest Park United Methodist

Church, Scottish Rite Cathedral, and Mizpah Temple. In 1966, Adair received the 33rd Degree, the highest honor in Scottish Rite. E. Ross Adair died in 1983.

This is a fitting honor to a dedicated public servant.

#### COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

On March 16, 2000, the Committee met in open session and ordered reported H.R. 2412, designating the Federal building located at 1300 Harrison Street in Fort Wayne, Indiana as the "E. Ross Adair Federal Building and United States Courthouse," approved March 15, 2000, by the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation, by voice vote with a quorum present. There were no recorded votes taken during Committee consideration of H.R. 2412.

#### RECORD VOTES

Clause 3(b) of rule XIII of the House of Representatives requires each committee report to include the total number of votes cast for and against on each record vote on a motion to report and on any amendment offered to the measure or matter, and the names of those members voting for and against. There were no recorded votes taken in connection with ordering H.R. 2412 reported. A motion by Mr. Franks to order H.R. 2412 favorably reported to the House was agreed to by voice vote, a quorum being present.

#### COST OF THE LEGISLATION

Clause 3(d)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives does not apply where a cost estimate and comparison prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 has been timely submitted prior to the filing of the report and is included in the report. Such a cost estimate is included in this report.

#### COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XIII

1. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(2) of Rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, and section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee references the report of the Congressional Budget Office below.
2. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(4) of Rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee has received no report of oversight findings and recommendations from the Committee on Government Reform on the subject of H.R. 2412.
3. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(3) of Rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has received the following cost estimate for H.R. 2412 from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

U.S. CONGRESS,  
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,  
*Washington, DC, March 20, 2000.*

Hon. BUD SHUSTER,  
*Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, U.S.  
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed the following bills, which were ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on March 16, 2000. CBO estimates that their enactment would have no significant impact on the federal budget, and would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The bills contain no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. The bills reviewed are:

H.R. 938, a bill to designate the federal building located at 290 Broadway in New York, New York, as the "Ronald H. Brown Federal Building;"

H.R. 1279, a bill to designate the federal building and United States courthouse located at 236 Sharkey Street in Clarksdale, Mississippi, as the "Aaron E. Henry Federal Building and United States Courthouse;"

H.R. 1605, a bill to designate the federal building and United States courthouse located at 402 North Walnut Street in Harrison, Arkansas, as the "J. Smith Henley Federal Building and United States Courthouse;" and

H.R. 2412, a bill to designate the federal building and United States courthouse located at 1300 South Harrison Street in Fort Wayne, Indiana, as the "E. Ross Adair Federal Building and United States Courthouse."

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is John R. Righter, who can be reached at 226-2860.

Sincerely,

BARRY B. ANDERSON  
(For Dan L. Crippen, Director).

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 3(d)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, committee reports on a bill or joint resolution of a public character shall include a statement citing the specific powers granted to the Congress in the Constitution to enact the measure. The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure finds that Congress has the authority to enact this measure pursuant to its powers granted under article I, section 8 of the Constitution.