PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3193, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PERSONAL PROTECTION ACT

SEPTEMBER 28, 2004.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. Hastings of Washington, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 803]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 803, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 3193, the District of Columbia Personal Protection Act, under a closed rule. The rule provides 1 hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.

The rule provides that the amendment printed in this report shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED

(Summary derived from information provided by sponsor.) Souder: Clarifies that any firearm, loaded or unloaded, is prohibited from being carried—concealed or openly—on the streets of DC. Establishes in the statute a more complete set of exemptions allowing citizens to transport firearms unloaded to and from lawful activities such as hunting, target shooting, and firearms safety training.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED

Amend section 10 to read as follows:

SEC. 10. REMOVE CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR CARRYING A FIREARM IN ONE'S DWELLING OR OTHER PREMISES.

(a) In General.—Section 4(a) of the Act of July 8, 1932 (47 Stat.

651; sec. 22—4504(a), D.C. Official Code) is amended—
(1) in the matter before paragraph (1), by striking "a pistol," and inserting the following: "except in his dwelling house or place of business or on other land possessed by that person, whether loaded or unloaded, a firearm,"; and

(2) by striking "except that:" and all that follows through "(2) If

the violation" and inserting "except that if the violation".

(b) Treatment of Certain Exceptions.—Section 5(a) of such Act (47 Stat. 651; sec. 22—4505(a), D.C. Official Code) is amend-

(1) by striking "pistol" each place it appears and inserting "firearm"; and

(2) by striking the period at the end and inserting the following: or to any person while carrying or transporting a firearm used in connection with an organized military activity, a target shoot, formal or informal target practice, sport shooting event, hunting, a firearms or hunter safety class, trapping, or a dog obedience training class or show, or the moving by a bona fide gun collector of part or all of the collector's gun collection from place to place for public or private exhibition while the person is engaged in, on the way to, or returning from that activity if each firearm is unloaded and carried in an enclosed case or an enclosed holster, or to any person carrying or transporting a firearm in compliance with sections 926Å, 926B or 926C of title 18, United States Code."

(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to violations occurring after the 60-day pe-

riod which begins on the date of the enactment of this Act.

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