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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas? The Chair hears none and, without objection, appoints the following conferees:

From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of the House bill, and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. COMBEST, DORNAN, YOUNG of Florida, HANSEN, LEWIS of California, GOSS, SHUSTER, MCCOLLUM, CASTLE, DICKS, RICHARDSON, DIXON, TORRICELLI, COLEMAN, SKAGGS, and Ms. PELOSI.

From the Committee on National Security, for the consideration of defense tactical intelligence and related activities:

Messrs. SPENCE, STUMP, and DELUMS.

As additional conferees from the Committee on International Relations, for consideration of section 303 of the House bill, and section 303 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. GILMAN, SMITH of New Jersey, and BERMAN.

There was no objection.

**DIGITAL PERFORMANCE RIGHT IN SOUND RECORDINGS ACT OF 1995**

Mr. MOORHEAD. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1506) to amend title 17, United States Code, to provide an exclusive right to perform sound recordings publicly by means of digital transmissions, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1506

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 "Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995".

**SEC. 2. EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS IN COPYRIGHTED WORKS.**

Section 106 of title 17, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (4) by striking "and" after the semicolon;

(2) in paragraph (5) by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

"(6) in the case of sound recordings, to perform the copyrighted work publicly by means of a digital audio transmission."

**SEC. 3. SCOPE OF EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS IN SOUND RECORDINGS.**

Section 114 of title 17, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a) by striking "and (3)" and inserting "(3) and (6)";

(2) in subsection (b) in the first sentence by striking "phonorecords, or of copies of motion pictures and other audiovisual works," and inserting "phonorecords or copies";

(3) by striking subsection (d) and inserting:

"(d) **LIMITATIONS ON EXCLUSIVE RIGHT.**—Notwithstanding the provisions of section 106(6)—

"(1) **EXEMPT TRANSMISSIONS AND RETRANSMISSIONS.**—The performance of a sound record-

ing publicly by means of a digital audio transmission, other than as a part of an interactive service, is not an infringement of section 106(6) if the performance is part of—

"(A)(i) a nonsubscription transmission other than a retransmission;

"(ii) an initial nonsubscription retransmission made for direct reception by members of the public of a prior or simultaneous incidental transmission that is not made for direct reception by members of the public; or

"(iii) a nonsubscription broadcast transmission;

"(B) a retransmission of a nonsubscription broadcast transmission: Provided, That, in the case of a retransmission of a radio station's broadcast transmission—

"(i) the radio station's broadcast transmission is not willfully or repeatedly retransmitted more than a radius of 150 miles from the site of the radio broadcast transmitter, however—

"(I) the 150 mile limitation under this clause shall not apply when a nonsubscription broadcast transmission by a radio station licensed by the Federal Communications Commission is retransmitted on a nonsubscription basis by a terrestrial broadcast station, terrestrial translator, or terrestrial repeater licensed by the Federal Communications Commission; and

"(II) in the case of a subscription retransmission of a nonsubscription broadcast transmission covered by subclause (I), the 150 mile radius shall be measured from the transmitter site of such broadcast transmitter;

"(ii) the retransmission is of radio station broadcast transmissions that are—

"(I) obtained by the retransmitter over the air; "(II) not electronically processed by the retransmitter to deliver separate and discrete signals; and

"(III) retransmitted only within the local communities served by the retransmitter;

"(iii) the radio station's broadcast transmission was being retransmitted to cable systems (as defined in section 111(f)) by a satellite carrier on January 1, 1995, and that retransmission was being retransmitted by cable systems as a separate and discrete signal, and the satellite carrier obtains the radio station's broadcast transmission in an analog format: Provided, That the broadcast transmission being retransmitted may embody the programming of no more than one radio station; or

"(iv) the radio station's broadcast transmission is made by a noncommercial educational broadcast station funded on or after January 1, 1995, under section 396(k) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 396(k)), consists solely of noncommercial educational and cultural radio programs, and the retransmission, whether or not simultaneous, is a nonsubscription terrestrial broadcast retransmission; or

"(C) a transmission that comes within any of the following categories:

"(i) a prior or simultaneous transmission incidental to an exempt transmission, such as a feed received by and then retransmitted by an exempt transmitter: Provided, That such incidental transmissions do not include any subscription transmission directly for reception by members of the public;

"(ii) a transmission within a business establishment, confined to its premises or the immediately surrounding vicinity;

"(iii) a retransmission by any retransmitter, including a multichannel video programming distributor as defined in section 602(12) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 522(12)), of a transmission by a transmitter licensed to publicly perform the sound recording as a part of that transmission, if the retransmission is simultaneous with the licensed transmission and authorized by the transmitter; or

"(iv) a transmission to a business establishment for use in the ordinary course of its busi-

ness: Provided, That the business recipient does not retransmit the transmission outside of its premises or the immediately surrounding vicinity, and that the transmission does not exceed the sound recording performance complement. Nothing in this clause shall limit the scope of the exemption in clause (ii).

"(2) **SUBSCRIPTION TRANSMISSIONS.**—In the case of a subscription transmission not exempt under subsection (d)(1), the performance of a sound recording publicly by means of a digital audio transmission shall be subject to statutory licensing, in accordance with subsection (f) of this section, if—

"(A) the transmission is not part of an interactive service;

"(B) the transmission does not exceed the sound recording performance complement;

"(C) the transmitting entity does not cause to be published by means of an advance program schedule or prior announcement the titles of the specific sound recordings or phonorecords embodying such sound recordings to be transmitted;

"(D) except in the case of transmission to a business establishment, the transmitting entity does not automatically and intentionally cause any device receiving the transmission to switch from one program channel to another; and

"(E) except as provided in section 1002(e) of this title, the transmission of the sound recording is accompanied by the information encoded in that sound recording, if any, by or under the authority of the copyright owner of that sound recording, that identifies the title of the sound recording, the featured recording artist who performs on the sound recording, and related information, including information concerning the underlying musical work and its writer.

"(3) **LICENSES FOR TRANSMISSIONS BY INTERACTIVE SERVICES.**—

"(A) No interactive service shall be granted an exclusive license under section 106(6) for the performance of a sound recording publicly by means of digital audio transmission for a period in excess of 12 months, except that with respect to an exclusive license granted to an interactive service by a licensor that holds the copyright to 1,000 or fewer sound recordings, the period of such license shall not exceed 24 months: Provided, however, That the grantee of such exclusive license shall be ineligible to receive another exclusive license for the performance of that sound recording for a period of 13 months from the expiration of the prior exclusive license.

"(B) The limitation set forth in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall not apply if—

"(i) the licensor has granted and there remain in effect licenses under section 106(6) for the public performance of sound recordings by means of digital audio transmission by at least 5 different interactive services: Provided, however, That each such license must be for a minimum of 10 percent of the copyrighted sound recordings owned by the licensor that have been licensed to interactive services, but in no event less than 50 sound recordings; or

"(ii) the exclusive license is granted to perform publicly up to 45 seconds of a sound recording and the sole purpose of the performance is to promote the distribution or performance of that sound recording.

"(C) Notwithstanding the grant of an exclusive or nonexclusive license of the right of public performance under section 106(6), an interactive service may not publicly perform a sound recording unless a license has been granted for the public performance of any copyrighted musical work contained in the sound recording: Provided, That such license to publicly perform the copyrighted musical work may be granted either by a performing rights society representing the copyright owner or by the copyright owner.

"(D) The performance of a sound recording by means of a retransmission of a digital audio

transmission is not an infringement of section 106(6) if—

“(i) the retransmission is of a transmission by an interactive service licensed to publicly perform the sound recording to a particular member of the public as part of that transmission; and  
“(ii) the retransmission is simultaneous with the licensed transmission, authorized by the transmitter, and limited to that particular member of the public intended by the interactive service to be the recipient of the transmission.

“(E) For the purposes of this paragraph—

“(i) a ‘licensor’ shall include the licensing entity and any other entity under any material degree of common ownership, management, or control that owns copyrights in sound recordings; and

“(ii) a ‘performing rights society’ is an association or corporation that licenses the public performance of nondramatic musical works on behalf of the copyright owner, such as the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, Broadcast Music, Inc., and SESAC, Inc.

“(4) RIGHTS NOT OTHERWISE LIMITED.—

“(A) Except as expressly provided in this section, this section does not limit or impair the exclusive right to perform a sound recording publicly by means of a digital audio transmission under section 106(6).

“(B) Nothing in this section annuls or limits in any way—

“(i) the exclusive right to publicly perform a musical work, including by means of a digital audio transmission, under section 106(4);

“(ii) the exclusive rights in a sound recording or the musical work embodied therein under sections 106(1), 106(2) and 106(3); or

“(iii) any other rights under any other clause of section 106, or remedies available under this title, as such rights or remedies exist either before or after the date of enactment of the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995.

“(C) Any limitations in this section on the exclusive right under section 106(6) apply only to the exclusive right under section 106(6) and not to any other exclusive rights under section 106. Nothing in this section shall be construed to annul, limit, impair or otherwise affect in any way the ability of the owner of a copyright in a sound recording to exercise the rights under sections 106(1), 106(2) and 106(3), or to obtain the remedies available under this title pursuant to such rights, as such rights and remedies exist either before or after the date of enactment of the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995.”; and

(4) by adding after subsection (d) the following:

“(e) AUTHORITY FOR NEGOTIATIONS.—

“(1) Notwithstanding any provision of the antitrust laws, in negotiating statutory licenses in accordance with subsection (f), any copyright owners of sound recordings and any entities performing sound recordings affected by this section may negotiate and agree upon the royalty rates and license terms and conditions for the performance of such sound recordings and the proportionate division of fees paid among copyright owners, and may designate common agents on a nonexclusive basis to negotiate, agree to, pay, or receive payments.

“(2) For licenses granted under section 106(6), other than statutory licenses, such as for performances by interactive services or performances that exceed the sound recording performance complement—

“(A) copyright owners of sound recordings affected by this section may designate common agents to act on their behalf to grant licenses and receive and remit royalty payments: Provided, That each copyright owner shall establish the royalty rates and material license terms

and conditions unilaterally, that is, not in agreement, combination, or concert with other copyright owners of sound recordings; and

“(B) entities performing sound recordings affected by this section may designate common agents to act on their behalf to obtain licenses and collect and pay royalty fees: Provided, That each entity performing sound recordings shall determine the royalty rates and material license terms and conditions unilaterally, that is, not in agreement, combination, or concert with other entities performing sound recordings.

“(f) LICENSES FOR NONEXEMPT SUBSCRIPTION TRANSMISSIONS.—

“(1) No later than 30 days after the enactment of the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995, the Librarian of Congress shall cause notice to be published in the Federal Register of the initiation of voluntary negotiation proceedings for the purpose of determining reasonable terms and rates of royalty payments for the activities specified by subsection (d)(2) of this section during the period beginning on the effective date of such Act and ending on December 31, 2000. Such terms and rates shall distinguish among the different types of digital audio transmission services then in operation. Any copyright owners of sound recordings or any entities performing sound recordings affected by this section may submit to the Librarian of Congress licenses covering such activities with respect to such sound recordings. The parties to each negotiation proceeding shall bear their own costs.

“(2) In the absence of license agreements negotiated under paragraph (1), during the 60-day period commencing 6 months after publication of the notice specified in paragraph (1), and upon the filing of a petition in accordance with section 803(a)(1), the Librarian of Congress shall, pursuant to chapter 8, convene a copyright arbitration royalty panel to determine and publish in the Federal Register a schedule of rates and terms which, subject to paragraph (3), shall be binding on all copyright owners of sound recordings and entities performing sound recordings. In addition to the objectives set forth in section 801(b)(1), in establishing such rates and terms, the copyright arbitration royalty panel may consider the rates and terms for comparable types of digital audio transmission services and comparable circumstances under voluntary license agreements negotiated as provided in paragraph (1). The Librarian of Congress shall also establish requirements by which copyright owners may receive reasonable notice of the use of their sound recordings under this section, and under which records of such use shall be kept and made available by entities performing sound recordings.

“(3) License agreements voluntarily negotiated at any time between one or more copyright owners of sound recordings and one or more entities performing sound recordings shall be given effect in lieu of any determination by a copyright arbitration royalty panel or decision by the Librarian of Congress.

“(4)(A) Publication of a notice of the initiation of voluntary negotiation proceedings as specified in paragraph (1) shall be repeated, in accordance with regulations that the Librarian of Congress shall prescribe—

“(i) no later than 30 days after a petition is filed by any copyright owners of sound recordings or any entities performing sound recordings affected by this section indicating that a new type of digital audio transmission service on which sound recordings are performed is or is about to become operational; and

“(ii) in the first week of January, 2000 and at 5-year intervals thereafter.

“(B)(i) The procedures specified in paragraph (2) shall be repeated, in accordance with regulations that the Librarian of Congress shall pre-

scribe, upon the filing of a petition in accordance with section 803(a)(1) during a 60-day period commencing—

“(1) six months after publication of a notice of the initiation of voluntary negotiation proceedings under paragraph (1) pursuant to a petition under paragraph (4)(A)(i); or

“(11) on July 1, 2000 and at 5-year intervals thereafter.

“(ii) The procedures specified in paragraph (2) shall be concluded in accordance with section 802.

“(5)(A) Any person who wishes to perform a sound recording publicly by means of a non-exempt subscription transmission under this subsection may do so without infringing the exclusive right of the copyright owner of the sound recording—

“(i) by complying with such notice requirements as the Librarian of Congress shall prescribe by regulation and by paying royalty fees in accordance with this subsection; or

“(ii) if such royalty fees have not been set, by agreeing to pay such royalty fees as shall be determined in accordance with this subsection.

“(B) Any royalty payments in arrears shall be made on or before the twentieth day of the month next succeeding the month in which the royalty fees are set.

“(g) PROCEEDS FROM LICENSING OF SUBSCRIPTION TRANSMISSIONS.—

“(1) Except in the case of a subscription transmission licensed in accordance with subsection (f) of this section—

“(A) a featured recording artist who performs on a sound recording that has been licensed for a subscription transmission shall be entitled to receive payments from the copyright owner of the sound recording in accordance with the terms of the artist’s contract; and

“(B) a nonfeatured recording artist who performs on a sound recording that has been licensed for a subscription transmission shall be entitled to receive payments from the copyright owner of the sound recording in accordance with the terms of the nonfeatured recording artist’s applicable contract or other applicable agreement.

“(2) The copyright owner of the exclusive right under section 106(6) of this title to publicly perform a sound recording by means of a digital audio transmission shall allocate to recording artists in the following manner its receipts from the statutory licensing of subscription transmission performances of the sound recording in accordance with subsection (f) of this section:

“(A) 2½ percent of the receipts shall be deposited in an escrow account managed by an independent administrator jointly appointed by copyright owners of sound recordings and the American Federation of Musicians (or any successor entity) to be distributed to nonfeatured musicians (whether or not members of the American Federation of Musicians) who have performed on sound recordings.

“(B) 2½ percent of the receipts shall be deposited in an escrow account managed by an independent administrator jointly appointed by copyright owners of sound recordings and the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (or any successor entity) to be distributed to nonfeatured vocalists (whether or not members of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists) who have performed on sound recordings.

“(C) 45 percent of the receipts shall be allocated, on a per sound recording basis, to the recording artist or artists featured on such sound recording (or the persons conveying rights in the artists’ performance in the sound recordings).

“(h) LICENSING TO AFFILIATES.—

“(1) If the copyright owner of a sound recording licenses an affiliated entity the right to publicly perform a sound recording by means of a

digital audio transmission under section 106(6), the copyright owner shall make the licensed sound recording available under section 106(6) on no less favorable terms and conditions to all bona fide entities that offer similar services, except that, if there are material differences in the scope of the requested license with respect to the type of service, the particular sound recordings licensed, the frequency of use, the number of subscribers served, or the duration, then the copyright owner may establish different terms and conditions for such other services.

"(2) The limitation set forth in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply in the case where the copyright owner of a sound recording licenses—

"(A) an interactive service; or

"(B) an entity to perform publicly up to 45 seconds of the sound recording and the sole purpose of the performance is to promote the distribution or performance of that sound recording.

"(i) **NO EFFECT ON ROYALTIES FOR UNDERLYING WORKS.**—License fees payable for the public performance of sound recordings under section 106(6) shall not be taken into account in any administrative, judicial, or other governmental proceeding to set or adjust the royalties payable to copyright owners of musical works for the public performance of their works. It is the intent of Congress that royalties payable to copyright owners of musical works for the public performance of their works shall not be diminished in any respect as a result of the rights granted by section 106(6).

"(j) **DEFINITIONS.**—As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

"(1) An 'affiliated entity' is an entity engaging in digital audio transmissions covered by section 106(6), other than an interactive service, in which the licensor has any direct or indirect partnership or any ownership interest amounting to 5 percent or more of the outstanding voting or non-voting stock.

"(2) A 'broadcast' transmission is a transmission made by a terrestrial broadcast station licensed as such by the Federal Communications Commission.

"(3) A 'digital audio transmission' is a digital transmission as defined in section 101, that embodies the transmission of a sound recording. This term does not include the transmission of any audiovisual work.

"(4) An 'interactive service' is one that enables a member of the public to receive, on request, a transmission of a particular sound recording chosen by or on behalf of the recipient. The ability of individuals to request that particular sound recordings be performed for reception by the public at large does not make a service interactive. If an entity offers both interactive and non-interactive services (either concurrently or at different times), the non-interactive component shall not be treated as part of an interactive service.

"(5) A 'nonsubscription' transmission is any transmission that is not a subscription transmission.

"(6) A 'retransmission' is a further transmission of an initial transmission, and includes any further retransmission of the same transmission. Except as provided in this section, a transmission qualifies as a 'retransmission' only if it is simultaneous with the initial transmission. Nothing in this definition shall be construed to exempt a transmission that fails to satisfy a separate element required to qualify for an exemption under section 114(d)(1).

"(7) The 'sound recording performance complement' is the transmission during any 3-hour period, on a particular channel used by a transmitting entity, of no more than—

"(A) 3 different selections of sound recordings from any one phonorecord lawfully distributed

for public performance or sale in the United States, if no more than 2 such selections are transmitted consecutively; or

"(B) 4 different selections of sound recordings—

"(i) by the same featured recording artist; or

"(ii) from any set or compilation of phonorecords lawfully distributed together as a unit for public performance or sale in the United States,

if no more than three such selections are transmitted consecutively:

Provided, That the transmission of selections in excess of the numerical limits provided for in clauses (A) and (B) from multiple phonorecords shall nonetheless qualify as a sound recording performance complement if the programming of the multiple phonorecords was not willfully intended to avoid the numerical limitations prescribed in such clauses.

"(8) A 'subscription' transmission is a transmission that is controlled and limited to particular recipients, and for which consideration is required to be paid or otherwise given by or on behalf of the recipient to receive the transmission or a package of transmissions including the transmission.

"(9) A 'transmission' includes both an initial transmission and a retransmission."

#### SEC. 4. MECHANICAL ROYALTIES IN DIGITAL PHONORECORD DELIVERIES.

Section 115 of title 17, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1)—

(A) in the first sentence by striking out "any other person" and inserting in lieu thereof "any other person, including those who make phonorecords or digital phonorecord deliveries"; and

(B) in the second sentence by inserting before the period "including by means of a digital phonorecord delivery";

(2) in subsection (c)(2) in the second sentence by inserting "and other than as provided in paragraph (3)," after "For this purpose.";

(3) by redesignating paragraphs (3), (4), and (5) of subsection (c) as paragraphs (4), (5), and (6), respectively, and by inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph:

"(3)(A) A compulsory license under this section includes the right of the compulsory licensee to distribute or authorize the distribution of a phonorecord of a nondramatic musical work by means of a digital transmission which constitutes a digital phonorecord delivery, regardless of whether the digital transmission is also a public performance of the sound recording under section 106(6) of this title or of any nondramatic musical work embodied therein under section 106(4) of this title. For every digital phonorecord delivery by or under the authority of the compulsory licensee—

"(i) on or before December 31, 1997, the royalty payable by the compulsory licensee shall be the royalty prescribed under paragraph (2) and chapter 8 of this title; and

"(ii) on or after January 1, 1998, the royalty payable by the compulsory licensee shall be the royalty prescribed under subparagraphs (B) through (F) and chapter 8 of this title.

"(B) Notwithstanding any provision of the antitrust laws, any copyright owners of nondramatic musical works and any persons entitled to obtain a compulsory license under subsection (a)(1) may negotiate and agree upon the terms and rates of royalty payments under this paragraph and the proportionate division of fees paid among copyright owners, and may designate common agents to negotiate, agree to, pay or receive such royalty payments. Such authority to negotiate the terms and rates of royalty payments includes, but is not limited to, the authority to negotiate the year during which

the royalty rates prescribed under subparagraphs (B) through (F) and chapter 8 of this title shall next be determined.

"(C) During the period of June 30, 1996, through December 31, 1996, the Librarian of Congress shall cause notice to be published in the Federal Register of the initiation of voluntary negotiation proceedings for the purpose of determining reasonable terms and rates of royalty payments for the activities specified by subparagraph (A) during the period beginning January 1, 1998, and ending on the effective date of any new terms and rates established pursuant to subparagraph (C), (D) or (F), or such other date (regarding digital phonorecord deliveries) as the parties may agree. Such terms and rates shall distinguish between (i) digital phonorecord deliveries where the reproduction or distribution of a phonorecord is incidental to the transmission which constitutes the digital phonorecord delivery, and (ii) digital phonorecord deliveries in general. Any copyright owners of nondramatic musical works and any persons entitled to obtain a compulsory license under subsection (a)(1) may submit to the Librarian of Congress licenses covering such activities. The parties to each negotiation proceeding shall bear their own costs.

"(D) In the absence of license agreements negotiated under subparagraphs (B) and (C), upon the filing of a petition in accordance with section 803(a)(1), the Librarian of Congress shall, pursuant to chapter 8, convene a copyright arbitration royalty panel to determine and publish in the Federal Register a schedule of rates and terms which, subject to subparagraph (E), shall be binding on all copyright owners of nondramatic musical works and persons entitled to obtain a compulsory license under subsection (a)(1) during the period beginning January 1, 1998, and ending on the effective date of any new terms and rates established pursuant to subparagraph (C), (D) or (F), or such other date (regarding digital phonorecord deliveries) as may be determined pursuant to subparagraphs (B) and (C). Such terms and rates shall distinguish between (i) digital phonorecord deliveries where the reproduction or distribution of a phonorecord is incidental to the transmission which constitutes the digital phonorecord delivery, and (ii) digital phonorecord deliveries in general. In addition to the objectives set forth in section 801(b)(1), in establishing such rates and terms, the copyright arbitration royalty panel may consider rates and terms under voluntary license agreements negotiated as provided in subparagraphs (B) and (C). The royalty rates payable for a compulsory license for a digital phonorecord delivery under this section shall be established de novo and no precedential effect shall be given to the amount of the royalty payable by a compulsory licensee for digital phonorecord deliveries on or before December 31, 1997. The Librarian of Congress shall also establish requirements by which copyright owners may receive reasonable notice of the use of their works under this section, and under which records of such use shall be kept and made available by persons making digital phonorecord deliveries.

"(E)(i) License agreements voluntarily negotiated at any time between one or more copyright owners of nondramatic musical works and one or more persons entitled to obtain a compulsory license under subsection (a)(1) shall be given effect in lieu of any determination by the Librarian of Congress. Subject to clause (ii), the royalty rates determined pursuant to subparagraph (C), (D) or (F) shall be given effect in lieu of any contrary royalty rates specified in a contract pursuant to which a recording artist who is the author of a nondramatic musical work grants a license under that person's exclusive rights in the musical work under sections 106(1)

and (3) or commits another person to grant a license in that musical work under sections 106(1) and (3), to a person desiring to fix in a tangible medium of expression a sound recording embodying the musical work.

"(ii) The second sentence of clause (i) shall not apply to—

"(I) a contract entered into on or before June 22, 1995, and not modified thereafter for the purpose of reducing the royalty rates determined pursuant to subparagraph (C), (D) or (F) or of increasing the number of musical works within the scope of the contract covered by the reduced rates, except if a contract entered into on or before June 22, 1995, is modified thereafter for the purpose of increasing the number of musical works within the scope of the contract, any contrary royalty rates specified in the contract shall be given effect in lieu of royalty rates determined pursuant to subparagraph (C), (D) or (F) for the number of musical works within the scope of the contract as of June 22, 1995; and

"(II) a contract entered into after the date that the sound recording is fixed in a tangible medium of expression substantially in a form intended for commercial release, if at the time the contract is entered into, the recording artist retains the right to grant licenses as to the musical work under sections 106(1) and 106(3).

"(F) The procedures specified in subparagraphs (C) and (D) shall be repeated and concluded, in accordance with regulations that the Librarian of Congress shall prescribe, in each fifth calendar year after 1997, except to the extent that different years for the repeating and concluding of such proceedings may be determined in accordance with subparagraphs (B) and (C).

"(G) Except as provided in section 1002(e) of this title, a digital phonorecord delivery licensed under this paragraph shall be accompanied by the information encoded in the sound recording, if any, by or under the authority of the copyright owner of that sound recording, that identifies the title of the sound recording, the featured recording artist who performs on the sound recording, and related information, including information concerning the underlying musical work and its writer.

"(H)(i) A digital phonorecord delivery of a sound recording is actionable as an act of infringement under section 501, and is fully subject to the remedies provided by sections 502 through 506 and section 509, unless—

"(I) the digital phonorecord delivery has been authorized by the copyright owner of the sound recording; and

"(II) the owner of the copyright in the sound recording or the entity making the digital phonorecord delivery has obtained a compulsory license under this section or has otherwise been authorized by the copyright owner of the musical work to distribute or authorize the distribution, by means of a digital phonorecord delivery, of each musical work embodied in the sound recording.

"(ii) Any cause of action under this subparagraph shall be in addition to those available to the owner of the copyright in the nondramatic musical work under subsection (c)(6) and section 106(4) and the owner of the copyright in the sound recording under section 106(6).

"(I) The liability of the copyright owner of a sound recording for infringement of the copyright in a nondramatic musical work embodied in the sound recording shall be determined in accordance with applicable law, except that the owner of a copyright in a sound recording shall not be liable for a digital phonorecord delivery by a third party if the owner of the copyright in the sound recording does not license the distribution of a phonorecord of the nondramatic musical work.

"(J) Nothing in section 1008 shall be construed to prevent the exercise of the rights and reme-

edies allowed by this paragraph, paragraph (6), and chapter 5 in the event of a digital phonorecord delivery, except that no action alleging infringement of copyright may be brought under this title against a manufacturer, importer or distributor of a digital audio recording device, a digital audio recording medium, an analog recording device, or an analog recording medium, or against a consumer, based on the actions described in such section.

"(K) Nothing in this section annuls or limits (i) the exclusive right to publicly perform a sound recording or the musical work embodied therein, including by means of a digital transmission, under sections 106(4) and 106(6), (ii) except for compulsory licensing under the conditions specified by this section, the exclusive rights to reproduce and distribute the sound recording and the musical work embodied therein under sections 106(1) and 106(3), including by means of a digital phonorecord delivery, or (iii) any other rights under any other provision of section 106, or remedies available under this title, as such rights or remedies exist either before or after the date of enactment of the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995.

"(L) The provisions of this section concerning digital phonorecord deliveries shall not apply to any exempt transmissions or retransmissions under section 114(d)(1). The exemptions created in section 114(d)(1) do not expand or reduce the rights of copyright owners under section 106(1) through (5) with respect to such transmissions and retransmissions;" and

(5) by adding after subsection (c) the following:

"(d) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the following term has the following meaning: A 'digital phonorecord delivery' is each individual delivery of a phonorecord by digital transmission of a sound recording which results in a specifically identifiable reproduction by or for any transmission recipient of a phonorecord of that sound recording, regardless of whether the digital transmission is also a public performance of the sound recording or any nondramatic musical work embodied therein. A digital phonorecord delivery does not result from a real-time, noninteractive subscription transmission of a sound recording where no reproduction of the sound recording or the musical work embodied therein is made from the inception of the transmission through to its receipt by the transmission recipient in order to make the sound recording audible."

#### SEC. 5. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 101 of title 17, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the definition of "device", "machine", or "process" the following:

"A 'digital transmission' is a transmission in whole or in part in a digital or other non-analog format."

(b) LIMITATIONS ON EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS: SECONDARY TRANSMISSIONS.—Section 111(c)(1) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the first sentence by inserting "and section 114(d)" after "of this subsection".

(c) LIMITATIONS ON EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS: SECONDARY TRANSMISSIONS OF SUPERSTATIONS AND NETWORK STATIONS FOR PRIVATE HOME VIEWING.—

(1) Section 119(a)(1) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the first sentence by inserting "and section 114(d)" after "of this subsection".

(2) Section 119(a)(2)(A) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the first sentence by inserting "and section 114(d)" after "of this subsection".

(d) COPYRIGHT ARBITRATION ROYALTY PANELS.—

(1) Section 801(b)(1) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the first and second sen-

tences by striking "115" each place it appears and inserting "114, 115,".

(2) Section 802(c) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the third sentence by striking "section 111, 116, or 119," and inserting "section 111, 114, 116, or 119, any person entitled to a compulsory license under section 114(d), any person entitled to a compulsory license under section 115,".

(3) Section 802(g) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the third sentence by inserting "114," after "111,".

(4) Section 802(h)(2) of title 17, United States Code, is amended by inserting "114," after "111,".

(5) Section 803(a)(1) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the first sentence by striking "115" and inserting "114, 115" and by striking "and (4)" and inserting "(4) and (5)".

(6) Section 803(a)(3) of title 17, United States Code, is amended by inserting before the period "or as prescribed in section 115(c)(3)(D)".

(7) Section 803(a) of title 17, United States Code, is amended by inserting after paragraph (4) the following new paragraph:

"(5) With respect to proceedings under section 801(b)(1) concerning the determination of reasonable terms and rates of royalty payments as provided in section 114, the Librarian of Congress shall proceed when and as provided by that section."

#### SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall take effect 3 months after the date of enactment of this Act, except that the provisions of sections 114(e) and 114(f) of title 17, United States Code (as added by section 3 of this Act) shall take effect immediately upon the date of enactment of this Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California [Mr. MOORHEAD] will be recognized for 20 minutes, and the gentleman from Colorado [Mrs. SCHROEDER] will be recognized for 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California [Mr. MOORHEAD].

Mr. MOORHEAD. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 1506, the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995. I would like to thank the gentlewoman from Colorado [Mrs. SCHROEDER] for her cooperation and hard work on this important legislation. I also want to commend the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. CONYERS], an original cosponsor of H.R. 1506, for his support and leadership in bringing about the compromise that made this legislation possible. The Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property began last Congress to try and construct legislation to take care of what all parties agree is a likely problem for U.S. record companies and the people who sing and play music. The problem concerns home subscription services for the digital transmission of music offered by different companies. This type of service permits the home subscriber, for a monthly fee, to select music. The company providing a subscription service can purchase a single record and play it for hundreds of subscribers and by so doing displace record sales.

Under current law, owners of almost every kind of copyright work have exclusive rights to authorize the public performance of that work. But sound recordings and the artists and companies that produce them have no such performance rights. Records sold at a store is the primary source of income for the record companies and for the singers. When a song is played on the radio or a digital audio cable service, neither the musicians who perform the work nor the record company have a legal right to control or receive compensation. H.R. 1506 will provide a very limited right for this purpose.

This new right is limited in that it only applies to digital audio transmission services that are sold primarily to the home. It does not apply to traditional radio and TV broadcasts, or to background music services, such as Muzak or 3M nor does it apply to public radio, restaurants, department stores, hotels, amusement parks.

The purpose of this legislation is to ensure that performing artists, record companies, and others whose livelihood depends upon effective copyright protection for sound recordings will be protected as new technologies affect the ways in which their creative works are marketed.

#### WHAT ABOUT THE PUBLIC INTEREST

The Department of Justice's Antitrust Division reviewed the compromise agreement and sent a letter to the subcommittee supporting the compromise saying that it will "advance competition" and by adopting the two amendments that they recommended the new language will preclude the recording companies from acting as a cartel and exploiting the combined market power associated with the pooling of intellectual property rights and thereby prevent the driving up of prices that consumers will have to pay for their product.

This legislation will also permit the development of new technologies that will be used and enjoyed by the consumer. It will also provide the consumer with access to a variety of choices of new entertainment which will be regulated by the market. We must remember that our copyright industries contribute more to the U.S. economy and employ more workers than any single manufacturing sector in the United States Between 1977 and 1993, employment in the U.S. copyright industries more than doubled to 3 million workers, which is 2.5 percent of the total U.S. work force. During the same period, the U.S. copyright industry employment grew almost four times the annual rate of the whole economy—2.6 percent versus 0.7 percent. In 1993, the U.S. copyright industries achieved estimated foreign sales of \$45.8 billion. After automobiles and parts, the copyright industry is the second largest industry in exports.

Again, I want to thank the committee members for their patience and

support and I would like to congratulate the parties of interest for working together and coming up with what I believe is a good, solid piece of legislation, that's both good for the industry and good for the American consumer.

Mr. Speaker, in conclusion, this legislation is the first step in bringing our copyright industries closer to the information superhighway. As we enter the digital and information age, the protection of America's intellectual property is essential. It's essential for two reasons. First, for the development, use, and advancement of new technology, and second, such protection will encourage more creative works from which society is the ultimate benefactor.

I am not aware of any opposition to this legislation. It has the support of the American Federation of Musicians, the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, the record industries, the songwriters, the radio and TV broadcast industry, and the administration.

I urge a favorable vote on H.R. 1506.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 1506, and yield myself such time as I may consume.

I strongly support the establishment in our copyright law of a digital performance right in sound recordings. In the digital age, creation of this right becomes imperative if we are to ensure that creators and copyright owners receive fair compensation for their property.

I also want to emphasize how important the creation of this right is with respect to our efforts to ensure strong protection for intellectual property on a global basis. While complete harmonization of our copyright laws with those of other countries is not possible, it is difficult for us to persuade other countries to protect intellectual property if our own laws are not sufficiently strong.

I particularly want to commend the various interested parties who have spent long and arduous hours in negotiations with respect to this bill. Under the leadership of our subcommittee chairman, the gentleman from California, we have seen the parties negotiate successfully in a way that makes the bill before us today as strong as possible. I think the result is a positive one for all parties involved, and I urge my colleagues to support it.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

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Mr. MOORHEAD. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. SENSENBRENNER].

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support for H.R. 1506, the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995. This bill gives recording artists and their recording companies copyright protection over the transmission of digital sound recordings. Under current law, songwriters, but not recording artists or companies, receive royalties when their music is played on radio or television.

Artists and companies receive much of their compensation through the sale of compact discs, records, and tapes that are often promoted on radio and television. However, new interactive services are being created which allow consumers to use their TV's and computers to order any recording at any time. These subscriber services threaten sales of CD's, records and tapes. With this legislation recording artists will have a performance right in digital transmissions which will afford them the opportunity to receive compensation when their performances are transmitted digitally. Presently, under American copyright law, owners of almost every kind of copyrighted work have exclusive rights to authorize the public performance of that work. It is time to provide recording artists and companies some copyright protection.

H.R. 1506 is equally important for what it doesn't do. This bill does not require businesses, such as bars and restaurants to pay an additional performance royalty when they play music. Such businesses should be allowed the play "incidental" or background music without having to pay fees to music performers. Background music is not now and will never be a substitute for consumer purchases of prerecorded music.

I congratulate Chairman MOORHEAD and all the parties who contributed to the negotiations on this issue and made this compromise legislation possible. H.R. 1506 brings copyright law up-to-date to accommodate the new digital technologies in today's marketplace. I strongly urge its passage.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to the distinguished gentleman from Michigan [Mr. CONYERS], the ranking member of the subcommittee.

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, my congratulations again to the chairman of the subcommittee, the gentleman from California [Mr. MOORHEAD], who was joined by the gentlewoman from Colorado [Mrs. SCHROEDER] and the gentleman from California [Mr. BERMAN] to make sure that we got to this point.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the measure. The sounds of harmony that I hear today on H.R. 1506 are, well, music to my ears.

I am truly delighted that our friends in the recording industry, the performing rights societies, the broadcasters and the background music services

have, under the auspices of this subcommittee, done the tough job of hammering out a compromise agreement that is acceptable to all.

When Mr. MOORHEAD asked me to join with him as a lead cosponsor of H.R. 1506, we both knew that such a process would be essential to the final resolution of this matter. We both knew that H.R. 1506 as introduced would not be the final word, but rather the logical starting point of a process which broke down in an unfortunate manner last year.

Three major issues were critical to the resolution of this matter.

First, there was disagreement about the exclusive rights to license performances of digital music on interactive or audio-on-demand services and whether this would be a right shared with the performance rights societies.

Second, the commercial music services, like MUZAK, wanted an exemption such as provided for them in the House bill but not in the Senate bill.

Third, there was a dispute over when there is a digital delivery which affects the record companies' ability to collect royalties.

Under your leadership, Mr. Speaker, these three sticky matters have now become transformed into harmonic convergence.

The agreement requires the interactive music distributor to obtain licenses from both the record company, for the sound recording, and from the performing rights societies, for the musical composition. That seems fair to me.

Commercial background services, so long as they do not alter their operations to make copying easier, are fully exempt, and that, too, is similar to the exemption for broadcasters.

Finally, the recording industry will pay mechanical royalties at two different rates, one when records are actually sold and the customer makes a permanent copy, and one in situations where there may be copying of albums by someone who is paying only for the right to listen to the music. This settles a dispute that received a lot of discussion at the June 21 hearing.

By passing this legislation, Congress will open the door to a golden age of digital technology where—as described in a Boston University Law Review article—consumers may never have to set foot in a record store, yet have the ability to choose a musical selection from everything ever recorded without fear that it is out of stock, and be able to copy the album, at any time of the day or night, over a fiber optic cable by using a remote control while sitting in the comfort of their living rooms.

Best of all, all this will be possible without the industrial meltdown that many had feared would put the record companies out of business as a result of the new digital technology or cut off a stream of income to the creative

geniuses who are America's composers and song writers.

I am especially pleased that performing artists will also benefit from this legislation. One estimate is that in 1987, performing artists should have received as much as half of the \$120 million that is collected worldwide for the public performance of sound recordings; now they stand to recover royalties when recordings of their performances are distributed digitally. I urge strong support for this compromise.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to the distinguished gentleman from California [Mr. BERMAN] who probably knows more about this issue than I could ever learn.

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman for yielding time to me. I know longer about this bill, I do not know more about this bill. I am happy to voice my strong support of H.R. 1506, the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act, and I want to congratulate my colleague from California, CARLOS MOORHEAD, because it is on his watch that this long overdue legislation is finally coming to fruition.

The proliferation of new technologies capable of transmitting the fruits of American musical genius directly to consumers with compact disc quality, and what is more, transmitting to Americans what they want to hear when they want to hear it—commands a congressional response. It is not the technology itself which I lament; rather it is the fact that if we fail to act, then American intellectual property is highly likely to lose all meaningful protection.

The constitutional imperative that the Congress protect copyright compels us from time to time to adjust our laws to fit new circumstances. While I have long felt that a performance right in sound recordings is the unfinished business of the omnibus overhaul of our copyright code in 1976, it is the proliferation of new technologies which makes the legislation before us today more important than ever.

Some have criticized the bill for falling short of the ideal, but I have always been loathe to view the best as the enemy of the good. As a member of the Subcommittee on Intellectual Property who proudly represents many of the segments of the music industry with a deep interest in H.R. 1506, I am delighted that this legislation has finally come to fruition, and that it does justice to legitimate concerns which have been raised with us.

This legislation is long overdue, and I commend it to my colleagues for their approval.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the distinguished gentleman from Maryland [Mr. HOYER].

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman for yielding time to me.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of this legislation. As has been said in this modern age of technological advancement, this type of legislation is needed. Current copyright law cannot adequately address the numerous issues which arise when digital technology is used. Moreover, the number of subscribers obtaining access to digital transmissions is ever-increasing. Therefore, certain modifications to the law are necessary to ensure that recording artists' and record companies' rights are protected. This carefully crafted legislation will ensure that the recording community will not only have the ability to control the distribution of their work, but receive payment for the use of their creative works. From hip-hop to country, reggae to classical, this bill helps to ensure our talented recording artists and recording companies are fairly compensated for public performance of their work. Without this legislation many situations could and, I am sure, would arise where the artists and music companies would not be compensated for their creative work. For many of them, their livelihood depends upon their being appropriately compensated for the use of the songs they have created. It takes much time, energy, and labor to produce material which provides public enjoyment. The creators of these materials deserve to be adequately compensated.

Mr. Speaker, as I am sure some on this floor know, Stephen Foster died essentially a pauper. He died a pauper not because his music was not popular, not because many thousands of people did not play or sing or enjoy his music on a daily, weekly, monthly, and annual basis. It was because there was no system for compensating the genius that was Stephen Foster.

We have geniuses among us today, some of whom are incredibly well compensated, but unfortunately, some of the most creative, perhaps not the most famous or well-known, have not been fairly compensated. This legislation, targeted, is important in a particular area. There are many areas which copyright fails to adequately compensate those who create. Therefore, I think it is incumbent upon us, as has been said, I know, by the chairman and by the ranking member, in an increasingly technological age in which the reproduction of what others have done is much easier, and frankly, the copying and dissemination of that, without any compensation to those who created it, is becoming epidemic, it is important that this Congress act to protect those who create.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I want to once again urge people to please vote for this. As we see the information highway coming up, this is the information that will

go over the highway. If we cannot protect the creators of that information so that they can get compensated when people pull this down and copy it, then there will not be any information on the highway. This is terribly important to the future of the country in the 21st century.

I thank everyone who has worked so hard on this, especially my chairman and especially the industry, who negotiate the long and hard coming to this agreement.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. MOORHEAD. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, this is important legislation. It has been made possible by the leadership of the chairman of our full committee, by the ranking member of our full committee, by the ranking member of our subcommittee, and each and every member of the subcommittee. It is a group endeavor that has made it possible for us to move forward with this important bill in the new superhighway that we are building in the telecommunications industry. I ask every Member to vote "aye" on this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California [Mr. MOORHEAD] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1506, 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.

Mr. MOORHEAD. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the Senate bill (S. 227) to amend title 17, United States Code, to provide an exclusive right to perform sound recordings publicly by means of digital transmissions, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. RIGGS). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I do so basically to yield to the gentleman from California [Mr. MOORHEAD] to explain the purpose of his request.

Mr. MOORHEAD. Mr. Speaker, this is the companion Senate bill. This action will enable the bill to go to the President. Both this bill and the former bill basically originated in the House, but the Senate was able to get it passed in their House first, and we want the bills to go immediately to the President of the United States without having to go

back to the Senate, so we are incorporating it into the Senate legislation.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. I thank the gentleman from California for his explanation. That is exactly what we want to do. We want to get these bills moving as quickly as possible.

Mr. Speaker, since the gentleman's motion does that, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

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

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the Senate bill, as follows:

S. 227

*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 "Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995".

SEC. 2. EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS IN COPYRIGHTED WORKS.

Section 106 of title 17, United States Code, is amended—

- (1) in paragraph (4) by striking "and" after the semicolon;
- (2) in paragraph (5) by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and
- (3) by adding at the end the following:
 

"(6) in the case of sound recordings, to perform the copyrighted work publicly by means of a digital audio transmission."

SEC. 3. SCOPE OF EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS IN SOUND RECORDINGS.

Section 114 of title 17, United States Code, is amended—

- (1) in subsection (a) by striking "and (3)" and inserting "(3) and (6)";
- (2) in subsection (b) in the first sentence by striking "phonorecords, or of copies of motion pictures and other audiovisual works," and inserting "phonorecords or copies";
- (3) by striking subsection (d) and inserting:

"(d) LIMITATIONS ON EXCLUSIVE RIGHT.—Notwithstanding the provisions of section 106(6)—

"(1) EXEMPT TRANSMISSIONS AND RETRANSMISSIONS.—The performance of a sound recording publicly by means of a digital audio transmission, other than as a part of an interactive service, is not an infringement of section 106(6) if the performance is part of—

- "(A)(i) a nonsubscription transmission other than a retransmission;
- "(ii) an initial nonsubscription retransmission made for direct reception by members of the public of a prior or simultaneous incidental transmission that is not made for direct reception by members of the public; or
- "(iii) a nonsubscription broadcast transmission;

"(B) a retransmission of a nonsubscription broadcast transmission: *Provided*, That, in the case of a retransmission of a radio station's broadcast transmission—

- "(i) the radio station's broadcast transmission is not willfully or repeatedly retransmitted more than a radius of 150 miles from the site of the radio broadcast transmitter, however—

"(I) the 150 mile limitation under this clause shall not apply when a nonsubscription broadcast transmission by a radio station licensed by the Federal Communications Commission is retransmitted on a nonsubscription basis by a terrestrial broadcast

station, terrestrial translator, or terrestrial repeater licensed by the Federal Communications Commission; and

"(II) in the case of a subscription retransmission of a nonsubscription broadcast retransmission covered by subclause (I), the 150 mile radius shall be measured from the transmitter site of such broadcast retransmitter;

"(ii) the retransmission is of radio station broadcast transmissions that are—

- "(I) obtained by the retransmitter over the air;
- "(II) not electronically processed by the retransmitter to deliver separate and discrete signals; and

"(III) retransmitted only within the local communities served by the retransmitter;

"(iii) the radio station's broadcast transmission was being retransmitted to cable systems (as defined in section 111(f)) by a satellite carrier on January 1, 1995, and that retransmission was being retransmitted by cable systems as a separate and discrete signal, and the satellite carrier obtains the radio station's broadcast transmission in an analog format: *Provided*, That the broadcast transmission being retransmitted may embody the programming of no more than one radio station; or

"(iv) the radio station's broadcast transmission is made by a noncommercial educational broadcast station funded on or after January 1, 1995, under section 396(k) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 396(k)), consists solely of noncommercial educational and cultural radio programs, and the retransmission, whether or not simultaneous, is a nonsubscription terrestrial broadcast retransmission; or

"(C) a transmission that comes within any of the following categories:

"(1) a prior or simultaneous transmission incidental to an exempt transmission, such as a feed received by and then retransmitted by an exempt transmitter: *Provided*, That such incidental transmissions do not include any subscription transmission directly for reception by members of the public:

"(ii) a transmission within a business establishment, confined to its premises or the immediately surrounding vicinity;

"(iii) a retransmission by any retransmitter, including a multichannel video programming distributor as defined in section 602(12) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 522(12)), of a transmission by a transmitter licensed to publicly perform the sound recording as a part of that transmission, if the retransmission is simultaneous with the licensed transmission and authorized by the transmitter; or

"(iv) a transmission to a business establishment for use in the ordinary course of its business: *Provided*, That the business recipient does not retransmit the transmission outside of its premises or the immediately surrounding vicinity, and that the transmission does not exceed the sound recording performance complement. Nothing in this clause shall limit the scope of the exemption in clause (ii).

"(2) SUBSCRIPTION TRANSMISSIONS.—In the case of a subscription transmission not exempt under subsection (d)(1), the performance of a sound recording publicly by means of a digital audio transmission shall be subject to statutory licensing, in accordance with subsection (f) of this section, if—

"(A) the transmission is not part of an interactive service;

"(B) the transmission does not exceed the sound recording performance complement;

“(C) the transmitting entity does not cause to be published by means of an advance program schedule or prior announcement the titles of the specific sound recordings or phonorecords embodying such sound recordings to be transmitted;

“(D) except in the case of transmission to a business establishment, the transmitting entity does not automatically and intentionally cause any device receiving the transmission to switch from one program channel to another; and

“(E) except as provided in section 1002(e) of this title, the transmission of the sound recording is accompanied by the information encoded in that sound recording, if any, by or under the authority of the copyright owner of that sound recording, that identifies the title of the sound recording, the featured recording artist who performs on the sound recording, and related information, including information concerning the underlying musical work and its writer.

“(3) LICENSES FOR TRANSMISSIONS BY INTERACTIVE SERVICES.—

“(A) No interactive service shall be granted an exclusive license under section 106(6) for the performance of a sound recording publicly by means of digital audio transmission for a period in excess of 12 months, except that with respect to an exclusive license granted to an interactive service by a licensor that holds the copyright to 1,000 or fewer sound recordings, the period of such license shall not exceed 24 months: *Provided, however,* That the grantee of such exclusive license shall be ineligible to receive another exclusive license for the performance of that sound recording for a period of 13 months from the expiration of the prior exclusive license.

“(B) The limitation set forth in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall not apply if—

“(i) the licensor has granted and there remain in effect licenses under section 106(6) for the public performance of sound recordings by means of digital audio transmission by at least 5 different interactive services: *Provided, however,* That each such license must be for a minimum of 10 percent of the copyrighted sound recordings owned by the licensor that have been licensed to interactive services, but in no event less than 50 sound recordings; or

“(ii) the exclusive license is granted to perform publicly up to 45 seconds of a sound recording and the sole purpose of the performance is to promote the distribution or performance of that sound recording.

“(C) Notwithstanding the grant of an exclusive or nonexclusive license of the right of public performance under section 106(6), an interactive service may not publicly perform a sound recording unless a license has been granted for the public performance of any copyrighted musical work contained in the sound recording: *Provided,* That such license to publicly perform the copyrighted musical work may be granted either by a performing rights society representing the copyright owner or by the copyright owner.

“(D) The performance of a sound recording by means of a retransmission of a digital audio transmission is not an infringement of section 106(6) if—

“(i) the retransmission is of a transmission by an interactive service licensed to publicly perform the sound recording to a particular member of the public as part of that transmission; and

“(ii) the retransmission is simultaneous with the licensed transmission, authorized by the transmitter, and limited to that par-

ticular member of the public intended by the interactive service to be the recipient of the transmission.

“(E) For the purposes of this paragraph—

“(i) a ‘licensor’ shall include the licensing entity and any other entity under any material degree of common ownership, management, or control that owns copyrights in sound recordings; and

“(ii) a ‘performing rights society’ is an association or corporation that licenses the public performance of nondramatic musical works on behalf of the copyright owner, such as the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, Broadcast Music, Inc., and SESAC, Inc.

“(4) RIGHTS NOT OTHERWISE LIMITED.—

“(A) Except as expressly provided in this section, this section does not limit or impair the exclusive right to perform a sound recording publicly by means of a digital audio transmission under section 106(6).

“(B) Nothing in this section annuls or limits in any way—

“(i) the exclusive right to publicly perform a musical work, including by means of a digital audio transmission, under section 106(4);

“(ii) the exclusive rights in a sound recording or the musical work embodied therein under sections 106(1), 106(2) and 106(3); or

“(iii) any other rights under any other clause of section 106, or remedies available under this title, as such rights or remedies exist either before or after the date of enactment of the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995.

“(C) Any limitations in this section on the exclusive right under section 106(6) apply only to the exclusive right under section 106(6) and not to any other exclusive rights under section 106. Nothing in this section shall be construed to annul, limit, impair or otherwise affect in any way the ability of the owner of a copyright in a sound recording to exercise the rights under sections 106(1), 106(2) and 106(3), or to obtain the remedies available under this title pursuant to such rights, as such rights and remedies exist either before or after the date of enactment of the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995.”; and

(4) by adding after subsection (d) the following:

“(e) AUTHORITY FOR NEGOTIATIONS.—

“(1) Notwithstanding any provision of the antitrust laws, in negotiating statutory licenses in accordance with subsection (f), any copyright owners of sound recordings and any entities performing sound recordings affected by this section may negotiate and agree upon the royalty rates and license terms and conditions for the performance of such sound recordings and the proportionate division of fees paid among copyright owners, and may designate common agents on a nonexclusive basis to negotiate, agree to, pay, or receive payments.

“(2) For licenses granted under section 106(6), other than statutory licenses, such as for performances by interactive services or performances that exceed the sound recording performance complement—

“(A) copyright owners of sound recordings affected by this section may designate common agents to act on their behalf to grant licenses and receive and remit royalty payments: *Provided,* That each copyright owner shall establish the royalty rates and material license terms and conditions unilaterally, that is, not in agreement, combination, or concert with other copyright owners of sound recordings; and

“(B) entities performing sound recordings affected by this section may designate com-

mon agents to act on their behalf to obtain licenses and collect and pay royalty fees: *Provided,* That each entity performing sound recordings shall determine the royalty rates and material license terms and conditions unilaterally, that is, not in agreement, combination, or concert with other entities performing sound recordings.

“(f) LICENSES FOR NONEXEMPT SUBSCRIPTION TRANSMISSIONS.—

“(1) No later than 30 days after the enactment of the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995, the Librarian of Congress shall cause notice to be published in the Federal Register of the initiation of voluntary negotiation proceedings for the purpose of determining reasonable terms and rates of royalty payments for the activities specified by subsection (d)(2) of this section during the period beginning on the effective date of such Act and ending on December 31, 2000. Such terms and rates shall distinguish among the different types of digital audio transmission services then in operation. Any copyright owners of sound recordings or any entities performing sound recordings affected by this section may submit to the Librarian of Congress licenses covering such activities with respect to such sound recordings. The parties to each negotiation proceeding shall bear their own costs.

“(2) In the absence of license agreements negotiated under paragraph (1), during the 60-day period commencing 6 months after publication of the notice specified in paragraph (1), and upon the filing of a petition in accordance with section 803(a)(1), the Librarian of Congress shall, pursuant to chapter 8, convene a copyright arbitration royalty panel to determine and publish in the Federal Register a schedule of rates and terms which, subject to paragraph (3), shall be binding on all copyright owners of sound recordings and entities performing sound recordings. In addition to the objectives set forth in section 801(b)(1), in establishing such rates and terms, the copyright arbitration royalty panel may consider the rates and terms for comparable types of digital audio transmission services and comparable circumstances under voluntary license agreements negotiated as provided in paragraph (1). The Librarian of Congress shall also establish requirements by which copyright owners may receive reasonable notice of the use of their sound recordings under this section, and under which records of such use shall be kept and made available by entities performing sound recordings.

“(3) License agreements voluntarily negotiated at any time between one or more copyright owners of sound recordings and one or more entities performing sound recordings shall be given effect in lieu of any determination by a copyright arbitration royalty panel or decision by the Librarian of Congress.

“(4)(A) Publication of a notice of the initiation of voluntary negotiation proceedings as specified in paragraph (1) shall be repeated, in accordance with regulations that the Librarian of Congress shall prescribe—

“(i) no later than 30 days after a petition is filed by any copyright owners of sound recordings or any entities performing sound recordings affected by this section indicating that a new type of digital audio transmission service on which sound recordings are performed is or is about to become operational; and

“(ii) in the first week of January, 2000 and at 5-year intervals thereafter.

“(B)(i) The procedures specified in paragraph (2) shall be repeated, in accordance

with regulations that the Librarian of Congress shall prescribe, upon the filing of a petition in accordance with section 803(a)(1) during a 60-day period commencing—

“(I) six months after publication of a notice of the initiation of voluntary negotiation proceedings under paragraph (1) pursuant to a petition under paragraph (4)(A)(i); or  
“(II) on July 1, 2000 and at 5-year intervals thereafter.

“(ii) The procedures specified in paragraph (2) shall be concluded in accordance with section 802.

“(5)(A) Any person who wishes to perform a sound recording publicly by means of a nonexempt subscription transmission under this subsection may do so without infringing the exclusive right of the copyright owner of the sound recording—

“(i) by complying with such notice requirements as the Librarian of Congress shall prescribe by regulation and by paying royalty fees in accordance with this subsection; or

“(ii) if such royalty fees have not been set, by agreeing to pay such royalty fees as shall be determined in accordance with this subsection.

“(B) Any royalty payments in arrears shall be made on or before the twentieth day of the month next succeeding the month in which the royalty fees are set.

“(g) PROCEEDS FROM LICENSING OF SUBSCRIPTION TRANSMISSIONS.—

“(1) Except in the case of a subscription transmission licensed in accordance with subsection (f) of this section—

“(A) a featured recording artist who performs on a sound recording that has been licensed for a subscription transmission shall be entitled to receive payments from the copyright owner of the sound recording in accordance with the terms of the artist's contract; and

“(B) a nonfeatured recording artist who performs on a sound recording that has been licensed for a subscription transmission shall be entitled to receive payments from the copyright owner of the sound recording in accordance with the terms of the nonfeatured recording artist's applicable contract or other applicable agreement.

“(2) The copyright owner of the exclusive right under section 106(6) of this title to publicly perform a sound recording by means of a digital audio transmission shall allocate to recording artists in the following manner its receipts from the statutory licensing of subscription transmission performances of the sound recording in accordance with subsection (f) of this section:

“(A) 2½ percent of the receipts shall be deposited in an escrow account managed by an independent administrator jointly appointed by copyright owners of sound recordings and the American Federation of Musicians (or any successor entity) to be distributed to nonfeatured musicians (whether or not members of the American Federation of Musicians) who have performed on sound recordings.

“(B) 2½ percent of the receipts shall be deposited in an escrow account managed by an independent administrator jointly appointed by copyright owners of sound recordings and the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (or any successor entity) to be distributed to nonfeatured vocalists (whether or not members of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists) who have performed on sound recordings.

“(C) 45 percent of the receipts shall be allocated, on a per sound recording basis, to the recording artist or artists featured on such sound recording (or the persons conveying

rights in the artists' performance in the sound recordings).

“(h) LICENSING TO AFFILIATES.—

“(1) If the copyright owner of a sound recording licenses an affiliated entity the right to publicly perform a sound recording by means of a digital audio transmission under section 106(6), the copyright owner shall make the licensed sound recording available under section 106(6) on no less favorable terms and conditions to all bona fide entities that offer similar services, except that, if there are material differences in the scope of the requested license with respect to the type of service, the particular sound recordings licensed, the frequency of use, the number of subscribers served, or the duration, then the copyright owner may establish different terms and conditions for such other services.

“(2) The limitation set forth in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply in the case where the copyright owner of a sound recording licenses—

“(A) an interactive service; or

“(B) an entity to perform publicly up to 45 seconds of the sound recording and the sole purpose of the performance is to promote the distribution or performance of that sound recording.

“(i) NO EFFECT ON ROYALTIES FOR UNDERLYING WORKS.—License fees payable for the public performance of sound recordings under section 106(6) shall not be taken into account in any administrative, judicial, or other governmental proceeding to set or adjust the royalties payable to copyright owners of musical works for the public performance of their works. It is the intent of Congress that royalties payable to copyright owners of musical works for the public performance of their works shall not be diminished in any respect as a result of the rights granted by section 106(6).

“(j) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

“(1) An ‘affiliated entity’ is an entity engaging in digital audio transmissions covered by section 106(6), other than an interactive service, in which the licensor has any direct or indirect partnership or any ownership interest amounting to 5 percent or more of the outstanding voting or non-voting stock.

“(2) A ‘broadcast’ transmission is a transmission made by a terrestrial broadcast station licensed as such by the Federal Communications Commission.

“(3) A ‘digital audio transmission’ is a digital transmission as defined in section 101, that embodies the transmission of a sound recording. This term does not include the transmission of any audiovisual work.

“(4) An ‘interactive service’ is one that enables a member of the public to receive, on request, a transmission of a particular sound recording chosen by or on behalf of the recipient. The ability of individuals to request that particular sound recordings be performed for reception by the public at large does not make a service interactive. If an entity offers both interactive and non-interactive services (either concurrently or at different times), the non-interactive component shall not be treated as part of an interactive service.

“(5) A ‘nonsubscription’ transmission is any transmission that is not a subscription transmission.

“(6) A ‘retransmission’ is a further transmission of an initial transmission, and includes any further retransmission of the same transmission. Except as provided in

this section, a transmission qualifies as a ‘retransmission’ only if it is simultaneous with the initial transmission. Nothing in this definition shall be construed to exempt a transmission that fails to satisfy a separate element required to qualify for an exemption under section 114(d)(1).

“(7) The ‘sound recording performance complement’ is the transmission during any 3-hour period, on a particular channel used by a transmitting entity, of no more than—

“(A) 3 different selections of sound recordings from any one phonorecord lawfully distributed for public performance or sale in the United States, if no more than 2 such selections are transmitted consecutively; or

“(B) 4 different selections of sound recordings

“(i) by the same featured recording artist; or

“(ii) from any set or compilation of phonorecords lawfully distributed together as a unit for public performance or sale in the United States.

if no more than three such selections are transmitted consecutively:

*Provided*, That the transmission of selections in excess of the numerical limits provided for in clauses (A) and (B) from multiple phonorecords shall nonetheless qualify as a sound recording performance complement if the programming of the multiple phonorecords was not willfully intended to avoid the numerical limitations prescribed in such clauses.

“(8) A ‘subscription’ transmission is a transmission that is controlled and limited to particular recipients, and for which consideration is required to be paid or otherwise given by or on behalf of the recipient to receive the transmission or a package of transmissions including the transmission.

“(9) A ‘transmission’ includes both an initial transmission and a retransmission.”.

**SEC. 4. MECHANICAL ROYALTIES IN DIGITAL PHONORECORD DELIVERIES.**

Section 115 of title 17, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1)—

(A) in the first sentence by striking out “any other person” and inserting in lieu thereof “any other person, including those who make phonorecords or digital phonorecord deliveries.”; and

(B) in the second sentence by inserting before the period “, including by means of a digital phonorecord delivery”;

(2) in subsection (c)(2) in the second sentence by inserting “and other than as provided in paragraph (3),” after “For this purpose.”;

(3) by redesignating paragraphs (3), (4), and (5) of subsection (c) as paragraphs (4), (5), and (6), respectively, and by inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph:

“(3)(A) A compulsory license under this section includes the right of the compulsory licensee to distribute or authorize the distribution of a phonorecord of a nondramatic musical work by means of a digital transmission which constitutes a digital phonorecord delivery, regardless of whether the digital transmission is also a public performance of the sound recording under section 106(6) of this title or of any nondramatic musical work embodied therein under section 106(4) of this title. For every digital phonorecord delivery by or under the authority of the compulsory licensee—

“(i) on or before December 31, 1997, the royalty payable by the compulsory licensee shall be the royalty prescribed under paragraph (2) and chapter 8 of this title; and

“(ii) on or after January 1, 1998, the royalty payable by the compulsory licensee shall be the royalty prescribed under subparagraphs (B) through (F) and chapter 8 of this title.

“(B) Notwithstanding any provision of the antitrust laws, any copyright owners of nondramatic musical works and any persons entitled to obtain a compulsory license under subsection (a)(1) may negotiate and agree upon the terms and rates of royalty payments under this paragraph and the proportionate division of fees paid among copyright owners, and may designate common agents to negotiate, agree to, pay or receive such royalty payments. Such authority to negotiate the terms and rates of royalty payments includes, but is not limited to, the authority to negotiate the year during which the royalty rates prescribed under subparagraphs (B) through (F) and chapter 8 of this title shall next be determined.

“(C) During the period of June 30, 1996, through December 31, 1996, the Librarian of Congress shall cause notice to be published in the Federal Register of the initiation of voluntary negotiation proceedings for the purpose of determining reasonable terms and rates of royalty payments for the activities specified by subparagraph (A) during the period beginning January 1, 1998, and ending on the effective date of any new terms and rates established pursuant to subparagraph (C), (D) or (F), or such other date (regarding digital phonorecord deliveries) as the parties may agree. Such terms and rates shall distinguish between (i) digital phonorecord deliveries where the reproduction or distribution of a phonorecord is incidental to the transmission which constitutes the digital phonorecord delivery, and (ii) digital phonorecord deliveries in general. Any copyright owners of nondramatic musical works and any persons entitled to obtain a compulsory license under subsection (a)(1) may submit to the Librarian of Congress licenses covering such activities. The parties to each negotiation proceeding shall bear their own costs.

“(D) In the absence of license agreements negotiated under subparagraphs (B) and (C), upon the filing of a petition in accordance with section 803(a)(1), the Librarian of Congress shall, pursuant to chapter 8, convene a copyright arbitration royalty panel to determine and publish in the Federal Register a schedule of rates and terms which, subject to subparagraph (E), shall be binding on all copyright owners of nondramatic musical works and persons entitled to obtain a compulsory license under subsection (a)(1) during the period beginning January 1, 1998, and ending on the effective date of any new terms and rates established pursuant to subparagraph (C), (D) or (F), or such other date (regarding digital phonorecord deliveries) as may be determined pursuant to subparagraphs (B) and (C). Such terms and rates shall distinguish between (i) digital phonorecord deliveries where the reproduction or distribution of a phonorecord is incidental to the transmission which constitutes the digital phonorecord delivery, and (ii) digital phonorecord deliveries in general. In addition to the objectives set forth in section 801(b)(1), in establishing such rates and terms, the copyright arbitration royalty panel may consider rates and terms under voluntary license agreements negotiated as provided in subparagraphs (B) and (C). The royalty rates payable for a compulsory license for a digital phonorecord delivery under this section shall be established de novo and no precedential effect shall be given to the amount of the royalty payable by a compulsory licensee for

digital phonorecord deliveries on or before December 31, 1997. The Librarian of Congress shall also establish requirements by which copyright owners may receive reasonable notice of the use of their works under this section, and under which records of such use shall be kept and made available by persons making digital phonorecord deliveries.

“(E)(i) License agreements voluntarily negotiated at any time between one or more copyright owners of nondramatic musical works and one or more persons entitled to obtain a compulsory license under subsection (a)(1) shall be given effect in lieu of any determination by the Librarian of Congress. Subject to clause (ii), the royalty rates determined pursuant to subparagraph (C), (D) or (F) shall be given effect in lieu of any contrary royalty rates specified in a contract pursuant to which a recording artist who is the author of a nondramatic musical work grants a license under that person's exclusive rights in the musical work under sections 106(1) and (3) or commits another person to grant a license in that musical work under sections 106(1) and (3), to a person desiring to fix in a tangible medium of expression a sound recording embodying the musical work.

“(ii) The second sentence of clause (i) shall not apply to—

“(I) a contract entered into on or before June 22, 1995, and not modified thereafter for the purpose of reducing the royalty rates determined pursuant to subparagraph (C), (D) or (F) or of increasing the number of musical works within the scope of the contract covered by the reduced rates, except if a contract entered into on or before June 22, 1995, is modified thereafter for the purpose of increasing the number of musical works within the scope of the contract, any contrary royalty rates specified in the contract shall be given effect in lieu of royalty rates determined pursuant to subparagraph (C), (D) or (F) for the number of musical works within the scope of the contract as of June 22, 1995; and

“(II) a contract entered into after the date that the sound recording is fixed in a tangible medium of expression substantially in a form intended for commercial release, if at the time the contract is entered into, the recording artist retains the right to grant licenses as to the musical work under sections 106(1) and 106(3).

“(F) The procedures specified in subparagraphs (C) and (D) shall be repeated and concluded, in accordance with regulations that the Librarian of Congress shall prescribe, in each fifth calendar year after 1997, except to the extent that different years for the repeating and concluding of such proceedings may be determined in accordance with subparagraphs (B) and (C).

“(G) Except as provided in section 1002(e) of this title, a digital phonorecord delivery licensed under this paragraph shall be accompanied by the information encoded in the sound recording, if any, by or under the authority of the copyright owner of that sound recording, that identifies the title of the sound recording, the featured recording artist who performs on the sound recording, and related information, including information concerning the underlying musical work and its writer.

“(H)(i) A digital phonorecord delivery of a sound recording is actionable as an act of infringement under section 501, and is fully subject to the remedies provided by sections 502 through 506 and section 509, unless—

“(I) the digital phonorecord delivery has been authorized by the copyright owner of the sound recording; and

“(II) the owner of the copyright in the sound recording or the entity making the digital phonorecord delivery has obtained a compulsory license under this section or has otherwise been authorized by the copyright owner of the musical work to distribute or authorize the distribution, by means of a digital phonorecord delivery, of each musical work embodied in the sound recording.

“(ii) Any cause of action under this subparagraph shall be in addition to those available to the owner of the copyright in the nondramatic musical work under subsection (c)(6) and section 106(4) and the owner of the copyright in the sound recording under section 106(6).

“(I) The liability of the copyright owner of a sound recording for infringement of the copyright in a nondramatic musical work embodied in the sound recording shall be determined in accordance with applicable law, except that the owner of a copyright in a sound recording shall not be liable for a digital phonorecord delivery by a third party if the owner of the copyright in the sound recording does not license the distribution of a phonorecord of the nondramatic musical work.

“(J) Nothing in section 1008 shall be construed to prevent the exercise of the rights and remedies allowed by this paragraph, paragraph (6), and chapter 5 in the event of a digital phonorecord delivery, except that no action alleging infringement of copyright may be brought under this title against a manufacturer, importer or distributor of a digital audio recording device, a digital audio recording medium, an analog recording device, or an analog recording medium, or against a consumer, based on the actions described in such section.

“(K) Nothing in this section annuls or limits (i) the exclusive right to publicly perform a sound recording or the musical work embodied therein, including by means of a digital transmission, under sections 106(4) and 106(6), (ii) except for compulsory licensing under the conditions specified by this section, the exclusive rights to reproduce and distribute the sound recording and the musical work embodied therein under sections 106(1) and 106(3), including by means of a digital phonorecord delivery, or (iii) any other rights under any other provision of section 106, or remedies available under this title, as such rights or remedies exist either before or after the date of enactment of the Digital Performance Right in Sound Recordings Act of 1995.

“(L) The provisions of this section concerning digital phonorecord deliveries shall not apply to any exempt transmissions or retransmissions under section 114(d)(1). The exemptions created in section 114(d)(1) do not expand or reduce the rights of copyright owners under section 106(1) through (5) with respect to such transmissions and retransmissions.”; and

(5) by adding after subsection (c) the following:

“(d) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the following term has the following meaning: A ‘digital phonorecord delivery’ is each individual delivery of a phonorecord by digital transmission of a sound recording which results in a specifically identifiable reproduction by or for any transmission recipient of a phonorecord of that sound recording, regardless of whether the digital transmission is also a public performance of the sound recording or any nondramatic musical work embodied therein. A digital phonorecord delivery does not result from a real-time, non-interactive subscription transmission of a

sound recording where no reproduction of the sound recording or the musical work embodied therein is made from the inception of the transmission through to its receipt by the transmission recipient in order to make the sound recording audible."

#### SEC. 5. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 101 of title 17, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the definition of "device", "machine", or "process" the following:

"A digital transmission" is a transmission in whole or in part in a digital or other non-analog format."

(b) LIMITATIONS ON EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS: SECONDARY TRANSMISSIONS.—Section 111(c)(1) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the first sentence by inserting "and section 114(d)" after "of this subsection".

(c) LIMITATIONS ON EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS: SECONDARY TRANSMISSIONS OF SUPERSTATIONS AND NETWORK STATIONS FOR PRIVATE HOME VIEWING.—

(1) Section 119(a)(1) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the first sentence by inserting "and section 114(d)" after "of this subsection".

(2) Section 119(a)(2)(A) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the first sentence by inserting "and section 114(d)" after "of this subsection".

(d) COPYRIGHT ARBITRATION ROYALTY PANELS.—

(1) Section 801(b)(1) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the first and second sentences by striking "115" each place it appears and inserting "114, 115".

(2) Section 802(c) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the third sentence by striking "section 111, 116, or 119," and inserting "section 111, 114, 116, or 119, any person entitled to a compulsory license under section 114(d), any person entitled to a compulsory license under section 115,".

(3) Section 802(g) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the third sentence by inserting "114," after "111,".

(4) Section 802(h)(2) of title 17, United States Code, is amended by inserting "114," after "111,".

(5) Section 803(a)(1) of title 17, United States Code, is amended in the first sentence by striking "115" and inserting "114, 115" and by striking "and (4)" and inserting "(4) and (5)".

(6) Section 803(a)(3) of title 17, United States Code, is amended by inserting before the period "or as prescribed in section 115(c)(3)(D)".

(7) Section 803(a) of title 17, United States Code, is amended by inserting after paragraph (4) the following new paragraph:

"(5) With respect to proceedings under section 801(b)(1) concerning the determination of reasonable terms and rates of royalty payments as provided in section 114, the Librarian of Congress shall proceed when and as provided by that section."

#### SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall take effect 3 months after the date of enactment of this Act, except that the provisions of sections 114(e) and 114(f) of title 17, United States Code (as added by section 3 of this Act) shall take effect immediately upon the date of enactment of this Act.

The Senate bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Similar House bills (H.R. 1506) and (H.R. 587) were laid on the table.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MOORHEAD. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on the bills just considered.

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

There was no objection.

#### PROVIDING FOR DISTRIBUTION OF USIA FILM 'FRAGILE RING OF LIFE'

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2070) to provide for the distribution within the United States of the U.S. Information Agency film entitled "Fragile Ring of Life."

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 2070

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### SECTION 1. DISTRIBUTION WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OF THE UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY FILM ENTITLED "FRAGILE RING OF LIFE".

Notwithstanding section 208 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1986 and 1987 (22 U.S.C. 1461-1(a)) and the second sentence of section 501 of the United States Information and Education Exchange Act of 1948 (22 U.S.C. 1481)—

(1) the Director of the United States Information Agency shall make available to the Archivist of the United States a master copy of the film entitled "Fragile Ring of Life"; and

(2) upon evidence that necessary United States rights and licenses have been secured and paid for by the person seeking domestic release of the film, the Archivist shall—

(A) reimburse the Director for any expenses of the Agency in making that master copy available;

(B) deposit that film in the National Archives of the United States; and

(C) make copies of that film available for purchase and public viewing within the United States.

Any reimbursement to the Director pursuant to this section shall be credited to the applicable appropriation of the United States Information Agency.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. SMITH] and the gentleman from Virginia [Mr. MORAN] each will be recognized for 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. SMITH].

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Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 2070 as introduced by our colleague, Mr. MORAN. This legislation authorizes the distribution within the United States of a specific film, "The Fragile Ring of Life" produced by the U.S. Information Agency.

This legislation is necessary because section 501 of the Smith Mundt Act of

1948 prevents the release within the United States of products commissioned by the U.S. Information Agency for 12 years.

The intent of the Smith Mundt Act is to prevent the executive branch from using the U.S. Information Agency as a political tool within the United States. While this is a reasonable objective, over the years Congress has approved the early release of several films and videotape programs through legislative action. The decision to waive the Smith Mundt Act restriction on domestic dissemination is usually based on finding the material offers worthwhile educational or cultural information of interest or value to American citizens.

The "Fragile Ring of Life" does meet these standards. The film discusses programs operating around the world that are focused on protecting sea life and coral reefs. In addition, it provides a useful summary of various efforts to establish environmentally sound practices within countries that rely upon the sea for food, commerce, or tourism.

I urge support for H.R. 2070 so that this film may be made available to domestic viewers.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

This is a very simple, straightforward, noncontroversial bill. It simply allows the film that the U.S. Information Agency sponsored, the "Fragile Ring of Life," to be distributed within the United States.

If it were not for this legislation, this film could not be shown for another 12 years, because, as the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. SMITH] said, the Smith-Mundt Act of 1948, and I gather that was no relation to the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. SMITH], it was another Mr. Smith, but in 1948 to prevent the executive branch from using the U.S. Information Agency as a political tool, and it said that the film has to be around for 12 years before it can be shown initially in the United States.

We have passed any number of other pieces of legislation because of this restrictive law. The Thomas Jefferson papers show, which commemorated the 250th anniversary of Thomas Jefferson's birth; we had a documentary about crimes against humanity regarding the conflict in Yugoslavia; we had a film called "The Long Way Home," about the humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan; a tribute to Mickey Leland; photographs of military operations-related activities in the Republic of Vietnam for the purpose of developing and publishing military histories. All of these films served an important purpose, but they all had to get this kind of specific legislative authority before they could be shown in the United States.

The "Fragile Ring of Life" is important because it will contribute to

