

JOYCE ANN FARRIOR AND SARAH E. FARRIOR

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

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 2110]

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 2110) for the relief of Joyce Ann Farrior and Sarah E. Farrior, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

DESCRIPTION OF PROVISIONS

H.R. 2110 provides that for purposes of determining the eligibility of Joyce Ann Farrior to child's insurance benefits and of Sarah E. Farrior to mother's insurance benefits under title II of the Social Security Act the child Joyce Ann Farrior will be considered to have been adopted within two years after the death of Maiden Earl Farrior. The bill further provides that any resultant benefit entitlement will be retroactive to the date of death of Maiden Earl Farrior.

GENERAL STATEMENT

The Social Security Act provides for child survivor benefits to be paid to a child who, at the time of the insured worker's death, was living with the worker and was not receiving support payments from any other individual or any welfare agency even if the child was not the worker's natural or adoptive child. To qualify, however, the child must be adopted by the worker's surviving spouse within 2 years after the death of the insured worker.

Joyce Ann Farrior was born in 1964 and lived with the deceased worker, Maiden E. Farrior, from a few months after her birth until his death in an automobile accident in May 1967. She meets all of the above requirements except that the final decree of adoption was issued 4 and one-half months beyond the 2-year time limit because of the fail-

use of her adoptive mother's attorney to complete the adoption proceedings and because of a North Carolina law requiring a one-year waiting period between the interlocutory order of adoption and a final decree of adoption.

H.R. 2110 would permit the payment of child's benefits to Joyce Ann Farrior and mother's benefits to Sarah E. Farrior retroactive to the date of death of the insured worker, Maiden E. Farrior (May 1967). The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare has indicated that it does not object to the enactment of this legislation.

VOTE OF THE COMMITTEE IN REPORTING THE BILL

In compliance with section 133 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, the following statement is made relative to the vote by the committee to report the bill. The bill was ordered reported by voice vote.

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