1

REPORT No. 897

Calendar No. 933

August 14, 1941.

AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS TO **GRANT AN EASEMENT FOR HIGHWAY PURPOSES TO THE COUNTY** OF MACON, ALA., IN A STRIP OF LAND LOCATED AT VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION FACILITY, TUSKEGEE, ALA.

DECEMBER 12, 1941.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. CLARK of Missouri, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 1889]

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1889) authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to grant an easement for highway purposes to the County of Macon, Ala., in a strip of land located at Veterans' Administration facility, Tuskegee, Ala., having considered the same, report back to the Senate without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

The purposes of the proposed legislation is fully explained in a letter addressed to the President of the Senate by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, which is attached hereto and made a part of this report.

The President of the Senate, The Capitol, Washington, D. C.

The Capitol, Washington, D. C. SIR: There is transmitted herewith draft of a bill authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to grant an easement for highway purposes to the county of Macon, Ala., in a strip of land located at Veterans' Administration facility, Tus-kegee, Ala., with the request that it be referred to the appropriate committee of the United States Senate, in order that it may be introduced and enacted into law. The strip of land described in this proposal has been taken for highway purposes through mistake as to the true boundary line of the Government property. This encroachment was reported by the Veterans' Administration to the Attorney General, at which time it was indicated, "While this land was appropriated with-out authority, under the prevailing practice, the enactment of legislation author-izing the donation of the land for road purposes would have been recommended had a request therefor been made." The acting head, Lands Division, Depart-ment of Justice, in reply counseled recommending legislation formally granting a right-of-way to the county. The county road for which right-of-way is recom-mended is used by facility vehicles in service about the station, and its realine-ment with elimination of eurvature and improvement of surface is of definite benefit to the Veterans' Administration.

A blueprint is also enclosed, showing the location of the land described in the draft bill.

dratt DHL. This proposal has been cleared for disposition as proposed, submission having been made to the Administrator, Federal Works Agency, pursuant to the provi-sions of the real-estate section of the regulations governing the operation of the Branch of Supply, Procurement Division, Treasury Department, approved by the President April 12, 1935. Information has been received from the Bureau of the Budget that there would be no objection to the presentation to the Congress of this proposed legislation. Respectfully, FRANK T. HINEA Administrator

FRANK T. HINES, Administrator.