Mr. Devine with Mr. Hansen of Idaho, Mr. Fraser with Mr. Dawson. Mr. Andrews of North Dakota with Mr.

Biester.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The doors were opened.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

TRUTH IN LENDING ACT OF 1967

Mr. PATMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (S. 5) to assist in the promotion of economic stabilization by requiring the disclosure of finance charges in connection with extension of credit, with a House amendment thereto, insist on the House amendment, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas? The Chair hears none, and appoints the following conferees: Messrs. PATMAN, BARRETT, Mrs. Sullivan, Messrs. REUSS, ASHLEY, MOORHEAD, WIDNALL, Fino and Mrs. DWYER.

FURTHER MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A further message from the Senate by Mr. Arrington, one its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment a join resolution of the House of the following title:

H.J. Res. 947. Joint resolution authorizing the President to proclaim the period February 11 thru 17, 1968, as "LULAC Week".

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 25, ESTUARINE AREAS

Mr. SISK. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules I call up House Resolution 1058 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 1058

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to move that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 25) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior in cooperation with the States to preserve, protect, develop, restore, and make accessible estuarine areas of the Nation which are valuable for sport and commercial fishing, wildlife conservation, recreation, and scenic beauty, and for other purposes. After general debate which shall be confined to the bill and shall continue not to exceed one hour, to be equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Risheries, the bill shall be read for amendment under the fiveminute rule. It shall be in order to consider the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries now printed in the bill, and such substitute for the purpose of amendment shall be considered under the five-minute rule as an original will at the confusion of such consideration. bill. At the conclusion of such consideration the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted, and any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or committee amend-

ment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Mr. SISK, Mr. Speaker, I yield 30 minutes to the distinguished gentleman from Tennessee [Mr. QUILLEN] and, pending that, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 1058 provides an open rule with 1 hour of debate for consideration of H.R. 25, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the States, to conduct an inventory and study of the Nation's estuaries and their natural resources. The rule further provides that it shall be in order to consider the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries now printed in the bill, and such substitute for the purpose of amendment shall be considered under the 5-minute rule as an original bill.

The purpose of H.R. 25 is to provide a means for protecting and conserving our Nation's estuarine areas and the waters of the Great Lakes.

The Secretary of the Interior, in consultation and in cooperation with the States, the Secretary of the Army, and other Federal agencies, is authorized and directed to conduct a study and inventory of the Nation's estuaries, including coastal marshlands, bays, sounds, seaward areas, lagoons, and land and waters of the Great Lakes.

With respect to certain publicly owned lands on Long Island, N.Y., which were studied in 1961 and 1965, the Secretary would be authorized to enter into an agreement with the State of New York, or any political subdivision or agency thereof, for the permanent management. development, and administration of such areas.

The Secretary would also be authorized and directed to study publicly owned areas in other States with a view toward recommending the desirability of authorizing the Secretary to enter into similar agreements for the administration, management, and development of those areas.

The Secretary of the Interior shall submit to the Congress, hot later than January 30, 1970, a report of the study conducted, together with any legislative recommendations.

No lands could be acquired unless authorized by a subsequent act of Congress.

The study is authorized over a 2-year

period; \$750,000 is authorized for fiscal year 1969 and \$250,000 for fiscal year 1970. There is no direct authorization for the project to be undertaken on Long Island, N.Y. The estimated additional cost to the Federal Government for the Long Island project is \$510,500 over a 5-year period, assuming maximum Federal participation will be 50 percent of total costs.

The Nation's estuarine areas are rapidly being destroyed in many areas by pollution. The study and inventory authorized by H.R. 25 would be the basis for determining appropriate means of preserving or restoring these areas.

Mr. Speaker, I might say that the dis-

tinguished gentleman from Michigan [Mr. DINGELL] made a very excellent statement before the Committee on Rules outlining the purport and intent of this particular legislation. This legislation certainly seems to be in the best interest of our country

Mr. Speaker, I urge the adoption of House Resolution 1058 in order that H.R. 25 may be considered.

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

Mr. Speaker, as the gentleman from California [Mr. Sisk] has stated, House Resolution 1058 provides an open rule with 1 hour of general debate for the consideration of H.R. 25, making the committee substitute in order as an original bill.

H.R. 25 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a 2-year study and inventory of our estuaries and the waters of the Great Lakes and report its recommendations to the President and the Congress by January 30, 1970. The bill further provides for the Secretary, together with the State of New York or any of its subdivisions, to enter into an agreement for the management and development of estuarine lands on Long Island, N.Y. The costs are to be equitably apportioned.

The study is authorized over a 2-year period; \$750,000 in fiscal 1969 and \$250. 000 in 1970.

Estuarine areas are coastal lands where salt and fresh water meet. The pressures of our expanding industrial Nation are rapidly polluting and destroying many of these, and the results can be serious. About two-thirds of the seafood consumed depends in a major degree on estuarine areas for their existence in American waters.

There is no direct authorization for the projected agreement between the Interior Department and the State of New York concerning the management and development of estuarine lands on Long Island. The bill requires an "equitable" division of costs. The committee report estimates that over a 5-year period, assuming a 50-50 split in total costs, the Federal Government's share would be \$510,500.

Departmental views are favorable to the bill as reported, and there are no minority views.

Mr. Speaker, I urge that the rule be adopted, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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

Mr. SISK. Mr. Speaker, does the gentleman from Tennessee [Mr. QUILLEN] have any further requests for time?

Mr. QUILLEN. I have no further requests for time.

Mr. SISK. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time.

Mr. Speaker, I maye the previous question on the resolution.

The previous question was ordered.

The resolution was agreed to. A motion to reconsider was laid on the

FIRE RESEARCH AND SAFETY ACT OF 1967

Mr. DADDARIO, Mr. Speaker, I move that the House resolve itself into the