

TO PRESCRIBE PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN ACTS OF VIOLENCE OR INTIMIDATION

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1968

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON RULES,
Washington, D.C.

The committee met at 11 a.m., in room H313, the Capitol, the Honorable William M. Colmer (chairman) presiding.

Present: Messrs. Colmer (chairman), Madden, Bolling, O'Neill, Young, Matsunaga, Smith, Anderson (Illinois), and Latta.

Staff present: Laurie C. Battle, counsel; Mary Spencer Forrest, assistant counsel; and Robert D. Hynes, Jr., minority counsel.

Mr. COLMER. The committee will hear from Mr. Rogers on House Resolution 1100.

We are sorry we detained you here so long, but we have had a little difficulty of our own.

Mr. Rogers.

STATEMENT OF HON. BYRON G. ROGERS

Mr. ROGERS. Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, I appear this morning before the Committee on Rules to urge prompt approval of House Resolution 1100 so that the Members of the House may work their will and approve H.R. 2516, as amended by the Senate.

Yesterday, the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, Mr. Celler, outlined the salient features of each of the 10 titles contained in H.R. 2516, as amended. This morning, I should like to outline the main provisions of titles II, III, IV, V, VI, and VII which deal with Indian rights.

I may state that the provisions of the titles were contained in a bill that was approved by the Senate on December 7, which is S. 1843.

Mr. COLMER. Mr. Rogers, would you pardon an interruption right there, please?

Mr. ROGERS. Yes, sir.

Mr. COLMER. As one member of the committee I would hope you would go into detail and explain what this Indian bill is. I know the House has taken no action, but your able colleague from Colorado, as chairman of the Interior Committee, is now in the process of conducting hearings on that. If this committee has to take action before next Friday, it would be before his committee finishes.

It would certainly be helpful if this could be covered so we could understand what is involved in that.

Mr. ROGERS. I will be most happy to try to comply with the request. If you will bear with me, I will try to outline what the intentions are