

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT  
OF H.R. 7  
OFFERED BY MR. REED OF NEW YORK**

Page 423, after line 16, insert the following (and conform the table of contents accordingly):

1 **SEC. 3020. ELIMINATION OF FEDERAL PERMITTING RE-**  
2 **QUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN FEDERAL-AID**  
3 **HIGHWAY AND HIGHWAY SAFETY CONSTRUC-**  
4 **TION PROJECTS.**

5 A Federal-aid highway or highway safety construc-  
6 tion project (including a project for construction of a  
7 bridge, sidewalk, or bicycle or pedestrian facility) shall be  
8 exempt from all Federal permitting requirements, if the  
9 project—

10 (1) is carried out under title 23, United States  
11 Code;

12 (2) is designated as a categorical exclusion by  
13 the Secretary of Transportation for purposes of the  
14 National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42  
15 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);

16 (3) is located in the existing right-of-way; and

1           (4) does not require acquisition of any addi-  
2           tional real estate.

