

Chair finds the amendment to be non-germane under general germaneness rule, which is applicable to this bill, and the point of order is sustained.

§ 40. Amendment Continuing Temporary Law to Bill Amending That Law

National Housing Act

§ 40.1 To that part of a bill making certain substantive changes in a section of the National Housing Act solely to limit the aggregate amount of liability for all insurance thereunder, an amendment was held to be not germane which also proposed to extend for an additional period the temporary operation of provisions of such section of the act.

In the 75th Congress a bill⁽¹²⁾ was under consideration to amend the National Housing Act. The bill stated in part:⁽¹³⁾

Sec. 2. The third sentence of subsection (a) of section 2 of the National Housing Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows: "The total liability incurred by the Administrator for all

insurance heretofore and hereafter granted under this section and section 6, as amended, shall not exceed in the aggregate \$100,000,000."

The following amendment was offered to the bill:⁽¹⁴⁾

Amendment offered by Mr. [Byron N.] Scott [of California]: Page 2, line 24, strike out all of lines 24 and 25 and insert:

Sec. 2. Section 2(a) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is amended by striking out "April 1, 1936, and prior to April 1, 1937" and inserting in lieu thereof "April 1, 1937, and prior to April 1, 1938", by striking out "April 1, 1936, exceed 10 percent" and inserting in lieu thereof "April 1, 1937, exceed 5 percent", and by amending the third sentence thereof to.

Mr. Henry B. Steagall, of Alabama, made the point of order that the amendment was not germane to the section or to the bill, and The Chairman,⁽¹⁵⁾ without elaboration, sustained the point of order.

§ 41. Amendment Changing Existing Law to Bill Citing or Making Minor Revisions in That Law

It has been noted above⁽¹⁶⁾ that where a bill amends existing law,

12. S. 1228 (Committee on Banking and Currency).

13. 81 CONG. REC. 3350, 75th Cong. 1st Sess., Apr. 9, 1937.

14. *Id.* at p. 3351.

15. Paul R. Greever (Wyo.).

16. For more general discussion of the principles governing the germane-