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Bill to Keep Rifle of Assassin Passed

WASHINGTON (AP) — A bill to authorize the government to retain permanently the rifle that killed President John F. Kennedy won House passage Tuesday.

The House also passed and sent to the President a bill providing for Secret Service protection of the widow and children of any president for four years after his death.

Rep. H. R. Gross, R-Iowa, noted

that a gun collector reportedly has paid \$10,000 for the Kennedy murder rifle, as well as the .38 revolver used by Lee Harvey Oswald to kill Dallas patrolman J. D. Tippitt shortly after Kennedy's assassination.

Gross asked if the bill would provide payment by the government of this \$10,000. Rep. Byron Rogers, D-Colo., said payment for privately owned items involved in

the case would be decided by the courts.

A report accompanying the bill said the collector has sued the government for possession of the weapons, and that the government has not yet responded to the suit. Rogers identified the collector as John J. King of Denver, Colo., who said he bought the guns from Oswald's widow.

Rep. Hale Boggs, D-La., who served on the Warren Commission which investigated the President's assassination, said "it would be tragic indeed if these items did not remain the property of the United States."

The bill, which goes to the Senate for further action, also would authorize the attorney general to decide what other items of evidence should be retained by the government.

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