

Panel Votes to Release File on Kennedy Death

WASHINGTON, May 28 (AP) — A House subcommittee today unanimously approved legislation to release Government records on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The panel, the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Economic and Commercial Law, gave the legislation its first favorable vote after defeating two Republican amendments that would have increased the executive branch's control over the documents. Today's action moves the measure to the full Judiciary panel.

The bill would set up a judicially appointed citizens' review board to examine all the secret files on the assassination and recommend which should be released. The President could withhold documents on the ground of privacy or national security, however.

The secret material contains everything from autopsy photographs and top secret intelligence reports to newspaper clippings and tax returns.

The Warren Commission concluded in 1964 that Lee Harvey Oswald, acting alone, killed Kennedy in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963. Conspiracy theories have abounded ever since.

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