

Some Action in the House

Washington

A congressional order for withdrawal of all U.S. military forces from Indochina by Oct. 1—with several conditions — was approved yesterday by Democrats on the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

The proposed withdrawal would require first the release of American prisoners, the guarantee of a safe pull-out and an accounting of Americans missing in action in enemy areas.

Chairman Thomas E. Morgan (Dem-Pa.), who has consistently opposed restraints on President Nixon's handling of the war, said he voted for the resolution and added that he believes the mood of the House has changed on the war.

"The President himself has changed his mind on the war," Morgan said, "and the same sort of pressures that made the President change his mind are making House members change their mind."

In another development, five Democratic House members drafted a resolution to impeach Mr. Nixon,

saying he has exceeded his constitutional authority by having "arrogated to himself the power to declare war." They said the President was guilty of "high crimes and misdemeanors."

The resolution calling for impeachment was introduced by Republican John Conyers (Mich.), and was co-sponsored by Republicans Ronald Dellums, (Calif.) Bella Abzug, (N.Y.), William F. Ryan (N.Y.) and Shirley Chisholm (N.Y.).

There had been a chance that the Senate would vote yesterday on legislation to cut off funds for the war four months after the Communists agree to release all U.S. war prisoners. But Senate Democratic whip Robert C. Byrd received unanimous consent to postpone a vote until at least tomorrow.

By a vote of 10 to 4, House Foreign Affairs Democrats approved a joint resolution by which the House and Senate would direct that involvement of all U.S. military forces "in or over Indochina "shall terminate and such forces be withdrawn not later than Oct. 1, 1972" subject to the three conditions.

The lineup in the show-

of-hands vote was not disclosed.

An effort by Rep. Clement J. Zablocki (Dem-Wis.) to insert a required cease-fire before the U.S. withdrawal

was rejected 8 to 4.

Chairman Morgan said he plans hearings on the resolution next week with witnesses possibly including Secretary of State William P.

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He said he could not predict prospects for House approval of the end-the-war-resolution.

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