

Head of House Unit Bids Nixon Delay Secrecy Rule

WASHINGTON, May 3 (AP) —The head of a House subcommittee investigating Government secrecy asked President Nixon today to postpone indefinitely the June 1 effective date of a new Executive order on the classification of documents.

"Its inherent defects and the lack of adequate time to fully implement it make it imperative," said Representative William S. Moorhead, Democrat of Pennsylvania, that Mr. Nixon "act promptly to prevent further chaotic conditions that could adversely affect our national defense and foreign policy."

Mr. Moorhead, chairman of the House Government Information Subcommittee, said that a delay would give Congress a chance to consider a statutory alternative that he plans to introduce.