priority. If it is a priority, then one way the Government can show it is a priority is by allowing individuals to deduct any expenses related to job training. The Gephardt plan eliminates $50 billion in corporate welfare tax benefits that exist now.

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The Gephardt plan requires a national referendum to raise taxes in the future. The Gephardt plan has a great benefit. It would actually reduce taxes for most Americans. You probably have guessed by now that I would say that the Gephardt plan is a superior plan. That is my individual opinion, but let it go to a tax revenue commission. We do not need my individual opinion, we do not need the opinions of the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Ways and Means' schemes that have resulted in a drastic, uneven tax burden being borne by individuals and families versus corporations.

We do not need anybody's opinions. Let them all take a very close look at what is happening with these plans. Let them all examine these plans. They may look at some other creative proposals that have come forward, like we have proposed to tax—instead of selling the frequencies in the air, lease them. Why not lease them and tax the income on them? Why not, if you are going to sell them, put them in a trust fund and use that revenue for some purpose, as they are proposing with the public broadcasting?

Public broadcasting wants a certain portion of the revenue we get from selling the bands in the air, frequencies. There is another word for that. I cannot get it right now. We have auctioned off about 9 billion dollars' worth. Why not have trust funds which generate income? Why not have the savings and loans contribute, at least the $250 billion that they took out of the taxpayers' coffers, out of the Treasury? Why not have a tax on the financial industry, a temporary tax which is a surcharge on everybody connected with the financial industries, and get back our money that we put into the savings and loan industry? Why not take a look at that?

Why not look at a more rapid reforming of the mining laws, so we stop giving away gold mines and copper mines and coal mines for pennies? We sold a mine recently for $250 which is expected to generate billions of dollars in gold. There are a lot of things that this tax commission could look at. We need a creative revenue commission to take a look at all these possibilities, to come back to the American people with a new revenue generation plan which will be a plan with enough money to finance the transition.

We are transitioning from the industrial age to the information age. The money to pay for the transition for the job training, for the research and development, can come out of a new, creative revenue tax plan. We can balance the budget at the same time we generate that income, and this commission is the key. We should accept the responsibility that has been given to us as elected officials, and understand that the problem is our problem. We have to solve it. A creative revenue tax commission would be a great step forward in solving this monumental problem.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. TORKILDSEN (at the request of Mr. ARMEY), for today until 11:45 a.m., on account of testifying at the North East Fisheries Management Council in Gloucester, MA.

Mr. FIELDS of Texas (at the request of Mr. ARMEY), for today after 2:30 p.m., on account of personal reasons.

Mrs. FOWLER (at the request of Mr. ARMEY), for today until 1 p.m., on account of illness.

Mr. TUCKER (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today and the balance of the week, on account of official business.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. KINGSTON) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. WHITE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SAXTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. ROUKEMA, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GOSS, for 5 minutes, September 21.

Mr. KINGSTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DOGGETT) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. DELAURO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MALONEY, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DOGGETT) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. GIBBONS.

Mr. MORAN.

Mr. LANTOS.

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota.

Mr. ACKERMAN.

Mr. POSHARD.

Mr. LIPINSKI.

Mr. BERMAN.

Mr. JACOBS.

Mrs. MALONEY.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. KINGSTON) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. GALLEGLY.

Mr. BOEHNER.

Mr. FORBES.

Mr. BATEMAN.

Mr. GILLMOR.

Mr. CRANE.

Mr. BARTON of Texas.

Mr. PETRI.

Mr. DAVIS.

Mr. FLANAGAN.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. OWENS) and to include extraneous matter:)

Ms. HARMAN.

Mrs. ROUKEMA.

Mr. CONYERS.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 19 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, September 20, 1995, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1447. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's report entitled the ''Low Emission Boiler System Program''; jointly, to the Committees on Appropriations and Commerce.

1448. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting notification of the actions the Secretary has taken regarding security measures at Eldorado International Airport, Bogota, Colombia, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 44907(d)(3); jointly, to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and International Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. ARCHER: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 2288. A bill to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to extend for 2 years the deadline by which States are required to have in effect an automated data processing and information retrieval system for use in the administration of State plans for child and spousal support (Rept. 104–250). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. MCINNIS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 223. Resolution waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 1817) making appropriations for military construction for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year