

pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4783. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Egypt for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 97-40), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4784. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Egypt for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 97-41), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4785. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Korea for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 97-42), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4786. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Egypt for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 97-33), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4787. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Korea for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 97-36), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4788. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Egypt for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 97-39), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4789. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting a copy of Transmittal No. 13-97 for a cooperative agreement with Australia in a project on advanced integrated aircraft survivability equipment technology, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

4790. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Navy's proposed lease of defense articles to Korea (Transmittal No. 24-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4791. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that the President intends to exercise his authority under section 610(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act in order to authorize the furnishing of \$4 million to Ethiopia, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2411; to the Committee on International Relations.

4792. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the first annual report on the implementation of a comprehensive program to monitor the end-use of defense articles and services, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2785; (H. Doc. No. 105-125); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

4793. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4794. A letter from the Executive Director, Office of Compliance, transmitting a decision of the Board of Directors on an alleged violation of the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) provisions made applicable by the Congressional Accountability Act; to the Committee on House Oversight.

4795. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Revocation of Obsolete Employee Responsibilities and Conduct Rules [FRL-5870-7] received August 8, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4796. A letter from the Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons, transmitting the Bureau's final rule—Urine Surveillance [BOP-1072-F] (RIN: 1120-AA68) received August 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4797. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Hazardous Materials: Cargo Tank Motor Vehicles in Liquefied Compressed Gas Services; Revisions and Response to Petitions for Reconsideration [Docket No. RSPA-97-2133 (HM-225)] (RIN: 2137-AC97) received August 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4798. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Manistee River, MI (Coast Guard) [CGD09-97-014] (RIN: 2115-AE47) received August 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4799. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Local Regulations: Hurricane Offshore Classic, St. Petersburg, FL (Coast Guard) [CGD07-97-031] (RIN: 2115-AE46) received August 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4800. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Local Regulation: Clifton River Days, Tennessee River mile 158 to 160, Clifton, Tennessee (Coast Guard) [CGD08-97-028] (RIN: 2115-AE46) received August 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4801. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Local Regulation: MY102 Boomsday, Tennessee River mile 645 to 649, Knoxville, Tennessee (Coast Guard) [CGD08-97-027] (RIN: 2115-AE46) received August 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4802. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Local Regulation: Riverfest, Cumberland River mile 126.5 to 128.5, Clarksville, Tennessee (Coast Guard) [CGD08-97-026] (RIN: 2115-AE46) received August 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4803. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Ship Channel, Great Egg Harbor Bay, New Jersey (Coast Guard) [CGD05-97-002] (RIN: 2115-AE47) received August 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4804. A letter from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to provide flexibility in the order

in which the Boards of Veterans' Appeals hears and considers appeals; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

4805. A letter from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize provision of care to veterans treated with nasopharyngeal radium irradiation; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

4806. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Weighted Average Interest Rate Update [Notice 97-47] received September 2, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4807. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule—Medicare Program; Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 1998 Rates (Health Care Financing Administration) [BPD-878-FC] (RIN: 0938-AH55) received August 28, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4808. A letter from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the reports entitled "Progress Toward Implementing Superfund" for fiscal years 1992-1994, pursuant to Public Law 99-499, section 120(e)(5) (100 Stat. 1669); jointly to the Committees on Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure.

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. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 2036. A bill to amend chapter 443 of title 49, United States Code, to extend the authorization of the aviation insurance program, and for other purposes, (Rept. 105-244). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. DELAHUNT:

H.R. 2396. A bill to amend section 1128B of the Social Security Act to repeal the criminal penalty for counseling or assisting an individual to dispose of assets in order to become eligible for Medicaid benefits; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. CHRISTENSEN (for himself and Mr. BLILEY):

H.R. 2397. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend eligibility for hospital care and medical services under chapter 17 of that title to veterans who have been awarded the Purple Heart, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CALVERT:

H.R. 2398. A bill to amend the Small Reclamation Projects Act of 1956 to provide for Federal cooperation in non-Federal reclamation projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mrs. CLAYTON:

H.R. 2399. A bill to provide assistance for low-income working families; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. SHUSTER (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. PETRI, and Mr. RAHALL):