

44.12 SUBPOENA

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. NEAL of North Carolina, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, April 24, 1992.

Hon. THOMAS S. FOLEY,
Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington,
DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you pursuant to Rule L (50) of the Rules of the House that I have been served with a subpoena issued by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

Sincerely,

WERNER W. BRANDT,
Sergeant at Arms.

44.13 MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Sundry messages in writing from the President of the United States were communicated to the House by Mr. McCathran, one of his secretaries.

44.14 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—
FEDERAL COUNCIL ON THE AGING

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. NEAL of North Carolina, laid before the House a message from the President, which was read as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 204(f) of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended (42 U.S.C. 3015(f)), I hereby transmit the Annual Report for 1991 of the Federal Council on the Aging. The report reflects the Council's views in its role of examining programs serving older Americans.

GEORGE BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, April 28, 1992.

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor.

44.15 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—
NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE
HUMANITIES

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. NEAL of North Carolina, laid before the House a message from the President, which was read as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with the provisions of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965, as amended (20 U.S.C. 959(b)), I am pleased to transmit herewith the 26th Annual Report of the National Endowment for the Humanities for fiscal year 1991.

GEORGE BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, April 28, 1992.

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor.

44.16 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—
JOB TRAINING 2000

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. NEAL of North Carolina, laid before the House a message from the President, which was read as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am pleased to transmit today for your immediate consideration and en-

actment the "Job Training 2000 Act." This legislation would reform the Federal vocational training system to meet the Nation's work force needs into the 21st century by establishing: (1) a network of local skill centers to serve as a common point of entry to vocational training; (2) a certification system to ensure that only high quality vocational training programs receive Federal funds; and (3) a voucher system for vocational training to enhance participant choice.

Currently, a myriad of programs administered by a number of Federal agencies offer vocational education and job training at a cost of billions of dollars each year. This investment in the federally supported education and training system should provide opportunities to acquire the vital skills to succeed in a changing economy. Unfortunately, the current reality is that services are disjointed, and administration is inefficient. Few individuals—especially young, low-income, unskilled people—are able to obtain crucial information on the quality of training programs and the job opportunities and skill requirements in the fields for which training is available.

The Job Training 2000 Act transforms this maze of programs into a vocational training system responsive to the needs of individuals, business, and the national economy.

Four key principles underlie the Job Training 2000 Act. First, the proposal is designed to simplify and coordinate services for individuals seeking vocational training or information relating to such training. Second, it would decentralize decision-making and create a flexible service delivery structure for public programs that reflects local labor market conditions. Third, it would ensure high standards of quality and accountability for federally funded vocational training programs. Fourth, it would encourage greater and more effective private sector involvement in the vocational training programs.

The Job Training 2000 initiative would be coordinated through the Private Industry Councils (PICs) formed under the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA). PICs are the public/private governing boards that oversee local job training programs in nearly 650 JTPA service delivery areas. A majority of PIC members are private sector representatives. Other members are from educational agencies, labor, community-based organizations, the public Employment Service, and economic development agencies.

Under the Job Training 2000 Act, the benefits of business community input, now available only to JTPA, would enhance other Federal vocational training programs. PICs would form the "management core" of the Job Training 2000 system and would oversee skill centers, certify (in conjunction with State agencies) federally funded vocational training programs, and manage the vocational training voucher system. Under this system, PICs would be accountable to Governors for their ac-

tivities, who in turn would report on performance to a Federal Vocational Training Council.

The skill centers would be established under this Act as a one-stop entry point to provide workers and employers with easy access to information about vocational training, labor markets, and other services available throughout the community. The skill centers would be designated by the local PICs after consultations within the local community. These centers would replace the dozens of entry points now in each community. Centers would present a coherent menu of options and services to individuals seeking assistance: assessment of skill levels and service needs, information on occupations and earnings, career counseling and planning, employability development, information on federally funded vocational training programs, and referrals to agencies and programs providing a wide range of services.

The skill centers would enter into written agreements regarding their operation with participating Federal vocational training programs. The programs would agree to provide certain core services only through the skill centers and would transfer sufficient resources to the skill centers to provide such services. These provisions would ensure improved client access, minimize duplication, and enhance the effectiveness of vocational training programs.

The Job Training 2000 Act also would establish a certification system for Federal vocational training that is based on performance. To be eligible to receive Federal vocational training funds, a program would have to provide effective training as measured by outcomes, including job placement, retention, and earnings. The PIC, in conjunction with the designated State agency, would certify programs that meet these standards. This system would increase the availability of information to clients regarding the performance of vocational training programs and ensure that Federal funds are only used for quality programs.

For the most part, vocational training provided under JTPA, the Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act (postsecondary only), and the Food Stamp Employment and Training Program would be provided through a voucher system. The voucher system would be operated under a local agreement between the PIC and covered programs. The system would provide participants with the opportunity to choose from among certified service providers. The vouchers would also contain financial incentives for successful training outcomes. By promoting choice and competition among service providers, the establishment of this system would enhance the quality of vocational training.

This legislation provides an important opportunity to improve services to youths and adults needing to raise their skills for the labor market by focusing on the "consumer's" needs rath-

er than preserving outmoded and disjointed traditional approaches. Enactment of this legislation would make significant contributions to the country's competitiveness by enhancing the opportunities available to our current and future workers and increasing the skills and productivity of our work force.

I urge the Congress to give this legislation prompt and favorable consideration.

GEORGE BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, April 28, 1992.

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, the Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, the Committee on Agriculture, and the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 102-321).

¶44.17 SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1128. An Act to impose sanctions against foreign persons and United States persons that assist foreign countries in acquiring a nuclear explosive device or unsafeguarded special nuclear material, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

And then,

¶44.18 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. WASHINGTON, pursuant to the special order heretofore agreed to, at 2 o'clock and 58 minutes p.m., the House adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, April 29, 1992.

¶44.19 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:

[Pursuant to the order of the House on April 9, 1992, the following reports were filed on April 22, 1992]

Mr. CONYERS: Committee on Government Operations: Misplaced Trust: The Bureau of Indian Affairs' Mismanagement of the Indian Trust Fund (Rept. No. 102-499). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. BROWN: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. To authorize appropriations to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for research and development, space flight, control and data communications, construction of facilities, research and program management, and inspector general, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 102-500). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. CONYERS: Committee on Government Operations. Issues in Aircraft Cabin Safety and Crash Survivability: The USAir-Skywest Accident (Rept. No. 102-501). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

[Introduced April 28, 1992]

Mr. JONES of North Carolina: Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. H.R. 4485. A bill to authorize reimbursement of ex-

penses for overseas inspections and examination of foreign vessels (Rept. No. 102-502). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. ROE: Committee on Public Works and Transportation. H.R. 4691. A bill to amend the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1993 and 1994, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 102-503). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

¶44.20 SUBSEQUENT ACTION ON A REPORTED BILL SEQUENTIALLY REFERRED

Under clause 5 of Rule X, the following action was taken by the Speaker:

[Submitted April 17, 1992]

H.R. 3304. Referral to the Committees on Government Operations and Rules extended for a period ending not later than May 8, 1992.

[Submitted April 28, 1992]

H.R. 776. Referred to the Committee on Agriculture for a period ending not later than May 1, 1992, for consideration of those provisions within titles XII, XVI and XIX contained in the amendment recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce that fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(a), rule X.

¶44.21 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. CARDIN:

H.R. 4989. A bill to amend title 35, United States Code, to impose a 5-year moratorium on the granting of patents on invertebrate or vertebrate animals, including those that have been genetically engineered, in order to provide time for the Congress to fully assess, consider, and respond to the economic, environmental, and ethical issues raised by the patenting of such animals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WHITTEN:

H.R. 4990. A bill rescinding certain budget authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. CLAY (for himself, Mr. ACKERMAN, and Mr. KANJORSKI):

H.R. 4991. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to establish notification requirements relating to reductions in force affecting Federal employees; to require that the Office of Personnel Management establish and maintain a Governmentwide list of vacant positions in Federal agencies; to implement measures designed to facilitate the reemployment of certain displaced Federal employees; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

By Mr. CRANE:

H.R. 4992. A bill to suspend until January 1, 1995, the duty of Ceretec; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DANNEMEYER:

H.R. 4993. A bill to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and other provisions of law to provide for the prevention of certain adverse effects on the economy of the United States; jointly, to the Committees on Education and Labor, Public Works and Transportation, Ways and Means, and the Judiciary.

H.R. 4994. A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to exempt certain persons from liability under that act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DORGAN of North Dakota (for himself and Mr. ECKART):

H.R. 4995. A bill to provide for the establishment of a savings and loan criminal fraud task force to prosecute crimes involving savings and loan institutions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GEJDENSON (for himself, Mr. ROTH, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Mr. MCGRATH, Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida, Mr. FEIGHAN, Mr. WOLPE, Mr. LEVINE of California, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. ORTON, and Mr. MURPHY):

H.R. 4996. A bill to extend the authorities of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. GEREN of Texas:

H.R. 4997. A bill to promote a North Atlantic Defense Community; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. JONES of North Carolina:

H.R. 4998. A bill to suspend until January 1, 1995, the duty on certain textile spinning machines; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KOSTMAYER:

H.R. 4999. A bill to authorize additional appropriations for implementation of the development plan for Pennsylvania Avenue between the Capitol and the White House; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. SCHEUER, Mr. LENT, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. MOORHEAD, Mr. SHARP, Mr. RINALDO, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. DANNEMEYER, Mr. SWIFT, Mr. RITTER, Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. SYNAR, Mr. FIELDS, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. SCHAEFER, Mr. ECKART, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. RICHARDSON, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. SLATTERY, Mr. McMILLAN of North Carolina, Mr. SIKORSKI, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. HOLLOWAY, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. UPTON, Mr. COOPER, Mr. BRUCE, Mr. ROWLAND, Mr. MANTON, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. McMILLEN of Maryland, Mr. STUDDS, Mr. KOSTMAYER, Mr. LEHMAN of California, and Mr. HARRIS):

H.R. 5000. A bill to amend the Petroleum Marketing Practices Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. KOSTMAYER (for himself, Mr. OWENS of Utah, and Mr. GEJDENSON):

H.R. 5001. A bill amend the Outdoor Recreation Act of 1963 to authorize the National Park Service and the U.S. Geological Survey to conduct a national river systems recreation assessment; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. RHODES:

H.R. 5002. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require physicians not participating in the medicare program to refund amounts paid for physicians' services by individuals enrolled under part B of the program in excess of the limiting charges applicable to such services, and for other purposes; jointly, to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ROTH:

H.R. 5003. A bill to provide for the deobligation of certain unexpended balances of funds made available for foreign economic assistance; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. SARPALIUS:

H.R. 5004. A bill to provide the authority for Lake Meredith National Recreation Area to enter into a management agreement for public recreational use on lands administered by the Bureau of Mines; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

By Mr. TRAFICANT:

H.R. 5005. A bill to exempt any person operating a trade or business in the State of Ohio from all Federal laws and regulations apply-