H.R. 166: Mr. STUPAK.
H.R. 168: Mr. STUPAK.
H.R. 367: Mr. TIAHRT and Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.
H.R. 400: Mr. HINCHEY and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.
H.R. 630: Mr. RADANOVICH and Mr. MARTINEZ.
H.R. 664: Mr. FROST and Mr. YATES.
H.R. 673: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts and Mr. DELAHUNT.
H.R. 674: Mr. HILLEARY.
H.R. 680: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.
H.R. 727: Mr. BILBRAY.
H.R. 750: Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MATSUI, and Mr. PORTER.
H.R. 817: Mr. POMBO.
H.R. 882: Mr. LANTOS.
H. Con. Res. 18: Mr. BURTON of Indiana and Mr. YATES.

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 1997 (16)

¶16.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. EWING, who laid before the House the following communication:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, March 4, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable THOMAS W. EWING to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Whereupon, pursuant to the order of the House of Tuesday, January 21, 1997, Members were recognized for ''morning-hour debate''.

¶16.2 RECESS—12:58 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. EWING, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess until 2 o'clock p.m.

¶16.3 AFTER RECESS—2 P.M.

The SPEAKER called the House to order.

¶16.4 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Monday, March 3, 1997.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

¶16.5 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

2028. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Thiazopyr: Pesticide Tolerances [OPP–300455; FRL–5591–5] (RIN: 2070–AB78) received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 810(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2029. A letter from the Administrator, Food and Consumer Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Food Assistance in Disaster and Distress Situations [Workplan Number 90–0001] (RIN: 0584–AB55) received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 810(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2030. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act—Air Force violation, case No. 95–16, which totaled $172,121, occurred in the fiscal year 1993 and fiscal year 1994 operation and maintenance, Air Force [O&M,AF] appropriations, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

2031. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Automatic Data Processing Equipment Leasing Costs [DFARS Case 96–D011] received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 810(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

2032. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Earned Value Management System [DFARS Case 96–D024] received March 3, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 810(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

2033. A letter from the Director, Office of Administration and Management, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services [CHAMPUS]; Program for Persons with Disabilities; Basic Program [DoD 6010.8–R] (RIN: 0720–AA32) received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 810(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

2034. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting notification that the report to be submitted pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 115(a) will be submitted by April 30, 1997; to the Committee on National Security.

2035. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's final rule—Membership of State Banking Institutions in the Federal Reserve System; Recordkeeping and Confirmation of Certain Securities Transactions Effected by State Member Banks (Regulation H; Docket No. R–0909) received February 28, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2036. A letter from the Secretary of Education, transmitting Final Regulations—Direct Grant Programs, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1232(f); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2037. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's report on the final regulations for direct grant programs, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2038. A letter from the Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's report entitled ''Performance Profiles of Major Energy Producers 1995,'' pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 7267; to the Committee on Commerce.

2039. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the fourth annual report to Congress on progress in achieving the performance goals referenced in the Prescription Drug User Fee Act of 1992 [PDUFA], for the fiscal year 1996, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 379g, note; to the Committee on Commerce.

2040. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Analytical Methods for Radionuclides [WH–FRL–5689–9] (RIN: 2040–AC88) received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2041. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the report of the nondisclosure of safeguards information for the quarter ending December 31, 1996, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2167(d); to the Committee on Commerce.

2042. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's ''Major'' final rule—Revision of Holding Period Requirements in Rules 144 and 145 [Release No. 33–7390; File No. S7–17–95] (RIN: 3235–AG53) received February 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2043. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of Presidential Determination No. 97–17: Suspending Restrictions on U.S. Relations With the Palestine Liberation Organization, pursuant to Public Law 104–107, section 604(b)(1) (110 Stat. 756); to the Committee on International Relations.

2044. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that effective February 10, 1997, the danger pay rate for the Great Lakes Region of Africa, including areas of Rwanda, Uganda, and Zaire, was designated at the 25 percent level, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5928; to the Committee on International Relations.

2045. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Additions to the Procurement List [97–007] received February 28, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2046. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2047. A letter from the Director, Division of Commissioned Personnel, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the annual report for the Public Health Service Commissioned Corps retirement system for fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9503(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2048. A letter from the Director, Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President, transmitting the fiscal year 1996 annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act [FMFIA] of 1982, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2049. A letter from the Chairman and CEO, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2050. A letter from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2051. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2052. A letter from the Chairman, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2053. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the 1996 section 8 report on National Historic and Natural Landmarks that have been damaged or to which damage to their integrity is anticipated, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1a–5(a); to the Committee on Resources.

2054. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the Department's report