

ing, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978 (STCW) (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD 95-062] (RIN: 2115-AF26) received March 3, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2083. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Entry of Softwood Lumber Shipments from Canada (U.S. Customs Service) [T.D. 97-9] (RIN: 1515-AB97) received February 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2084. A letter from the Assistant Commissioner (Examination), Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Petroleum Industry Coordinated Issue: Cost Depletion—Recoverable Reserves—received February 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2085. A letter from the Assistant Commissioner (Examination), Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Construction/Real Estate Industry Coordinated Issue: Per Diem Allowances for Temporary Technical Services Employees—received February 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2086. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Tax Avoidance Using Self-Amortizing Investments in Conduit Financing Entities [Notice 97-21] received February 28, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2087. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Waiver of Certain Limitations on Obtaining Automatic Consent to Change an Accounting Period and Elect to be an S Corporation Effective January 1, 1997 [Notice 97-20] received February 28, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2088. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Employee Plans and Exempt Organizations; Requests for Certain Determination Letters and Applications for Recognition of Exemption [Announcement 97-20] received February 28, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2089. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property [Rev. Rul. 97-10] received February 28, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2090. A letter from the Chairman, Prospective Payment Assessment Commission, transmitting the Commission's report on issues affecting health care delivery in the United States, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 4002(g)(1)(B) (104 Stat. 1388-36); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2091. A letter from the Department of State, Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, transmitting the Department's Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program for fiscal year 1996, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3905(d)(2); jointly, to the Committees on International Relations and Government Reform and Oversight.

2092. A letter from the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the Board's justification of budget estimates for fiscal year 1998, pursuant to 45 U.S.C. 231f; jointly, to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Ways and Means, and Appropriations.

¶16.6 ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

On motion of Mr. CANADY, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That on Wednesday, March 5, 1997, the Speaker be authorized to entertain motions to suspend the rules and agree to the following concurrent resolutions:

H. Con. Res. 17. Concurrent resolution congratulating the people of Guatemala on the success of the recent negotiations to establish a peace process for Guatemala;

H. Con. Res. 18. Concurrent resolution congratulating the people of the Republic of Nicaragua on the success of their democratic elections;

S. Con. Res. 4. Concurrent resolution commending and thanking the Honorable Warren Christopher for his exemplary service as Secretary of State; and

Ordered further, That on Thursday, March 6, 1997, the Speaker be authorized to entertain a motion to suspend the rules and pass the following bill:

H.R. 513. A bill to exempt certain contracts entered into by the government of the District of Columbia from review by the Council of the District of Columbia.

¶16.7 REGARDING THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Mr. CANADY moved to suspend the rules and agree to the following concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 31):

Whereas Judge Roy S. Moore, a lifelong resident of Etowah County, Alabama, graduate of the United States Military Academy with distinguished service to his country in Vietnam, and graduate of the University of Alabama School of Law, has served his country and his community with uncommon distinction;

Whereas another circuit judge in Alabama, has ordered Judge Moore to remove a copy of the Ten Commandments posted in his courtroom and the Alabama Supreme Court has granted a stay to review the matter;

Whereas the Ten Commandments have had a significant impact on the development of the fundamental legal principles of Western Civilization; and

Whereas the Ten Commandments set forth a code of moral conduct, observance of which is universally acknowledged to promote respect for our system of laws and the good of society: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That it is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the Ten Commandments are a declaration of fundamental principles that are the cornerstones of a fair and just society; and

(2) the public display, including display in government offices and courthouses, of the Ten Commandments should be permitted.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, recognized Mr. CANADY and Mr. SCOTT, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said concurrent resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

Mr. CANADY demanded that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays, which

demand was supported by one-fifth of the Members present, so the yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, pursuant to clause 5(b)(1) of rule I, announced that further proceedings on the motion were postponed until Wednesday, March 5, 1997, pursuant to the prior announcement of the Chair.

And then,

¶16.8 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. ADERHOLT, at 3 o'clock and 1 minute p.m., the House adjourned.

¶16.9 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. COBLE (for himself and Mr. BERMAN):

H.R. 908. A bill to establish a Commission on Structural Alternatives for the Federal Courts of Appeals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HEFLEY (for himself and Mr. ORTIZ) (both by request):

H.R. 909. A bill to authorize certain construction at military installations for fiscal year 1998, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. KLINK, Mr. POSHARD, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. HINCHAY, Mr. FILNER, and Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon):

H.R. 910. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require that violent television programming is limited to broadcast after the hours when children are reasonably likely to comprise a substantial portion of the audience, unless it is specifically rated on the basis of its violent content so that it is blockable by electronic means specifically on the basis of that content; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. PORTER (for himself, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mrs. CARSON, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. COYNE, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Ms. DANNER, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. DOYLE, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. EHRlich, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FATAH, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. FROST, Ms. FURSE, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. GOSS, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. HORN, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. KIM, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. LEACH, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. MCKEON, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. MEEHAN, Ms. MOLINARI, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. NEY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OLVER, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PARKER, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. PETRI, Mr. PICKETT, Mr. POSHARD, Mr. QUINN, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. RIGGS, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. SANDERS,