

§53.20 SENATE BILL AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS REFERRED

A bill and concurrent resolutions of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 342. An Act to extend certain privileges, exemptions, and immunities to Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices; to the Committee on International Relations.

S. Con. Res. 6. Concurrent resolution expressing concern for the continued deterioration of human rights in Afghanistan and emphasizing the need for a peaceful political settlement in that country; to the Committee on International Relations.

S. Con. Res. 21. Concurrent resolution congratulating the residents of Jerusalem and the people of Israel on the thirtieth anniversary of the reunification of that historic city, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

§53.21 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to Mr. SNOWBARGER, for today after 1 p.m. and balance of the week.

And then,

§53.22 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. PALLONE, at 7 o'clock and 55 minutes p.m., the House adjourned.

§53.23 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. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 1420. A bill to amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to improve the management of the National Wildlife Refuge System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-106). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. GOSS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 155. Resolution waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (Rept. No. 105-107). Referred to the House Calendar.

§53.24 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. STUMP (for himself, Mr. EVANS, Mr. STEARNS, and Mr. GUTIERREZ):

H.R. 1687. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that special pay paid to certain physicians and dentists of the Veterans Health Administration who retire before October 1, 1999, shall be considered to be basic pay for retirement purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. MINGE, and Mr. LATHAM):

H.R. 1688. A bill to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a non-profit corporation, for the planning and construction of the water supply system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. WHITE (for himself, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. DOOLEY of

California, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. FAZIO of California, Mr. COBURN, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. COX of California, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. KLUG, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. PAXON, Mr. ROEMER, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. DEUTSCH):

H.R. 1689. A bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 1690. A bill to amend title 28 of the United States Code regarding enforcement of child custody orders; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. CHENOWETH (for herself and Mr. CRAPO):

H.R. 1691. A bill to provide for the stabilization, enhancement, restoration, and management of the Coeur d'Alene River basin watershed; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ENSIGN (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. SAM JOHNSON):

H.R. 1692. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to waive the 3-day prior hospitalization requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services in the case of individuals classified within certain diagnosis-related groups; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut:

H.R. 1693. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to assist the development of small business concerns owned and controlled by women, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

H.R. 1694. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a credit against income tax for certain amounts contributed to an education investment account; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. POMEROY:

H.R. 1695. A bill to establish a Commission on Retirement Savings; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. RADANOVICH (for himself and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska):

H.R. 1696. A bill to honor agreements reached in the acquisition of Santa Rosa Island, CA, by the National Park Service; to the Committee on Resources.

By Ms. RIVERS:

H.R. 1697. A bill to assess the impact of the North American Free-Trade Agreement on domestic job loss and the environment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STARK:

H.R. 1698. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to assist families in the purchase of coverage for children under school-based health insurance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. STUPAK (for himself, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. FAZIO of California, Mr. BONIOR, Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. CARSON, Mr. BOSWELL, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. MEEHAN,

Mr. TURNER, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. SANDLIN, Ms. KILPATRICK, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. MANTON, Mr. WYNN, Mr. VENTO, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. CRAMER, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. TORRES, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. HINOJOSA, and Ms. WOOLSEY):

H.R. 1699. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to establish a grant program to prevent and control juvenile crime; to modify Federal court procedures applicable to violent juvenile offenders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Commerce, and Government Reform and Oversight, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. YOUNG, of Alaska, Mr. HILL, and Mrs. CUBIN):

H.R. 1700. A bill to authorize funds to further the strong Federal interest in the improvement of highways and transportation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

H.R. 1701. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide a minimum allocation of highway funds for States that have low population densities and comprise large geographic areas; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. LAFALCE:

H. Con. Res. 85. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the Small Business Administration should appoint a commission to examine the credit needs of small business concerns; to the Committee on Small Business.

§53.25 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 96: Mr. CUNNINGHAM and Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 108: Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 135: Mr. BERMAN.

H.R. 164: Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. FOGLETTA, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. LATOURETTE, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. GREEN, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. OLVER, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. PASCRELL, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. FILNER, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mrs. CLAYTON, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Ms. WATERS, Mr. MANTON, Mr. BALDACCIO, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BAESLER, Ms. FURSE, Mr. CAPPS, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, and Mr. PAYNE.

H.R. 165: Mr. MCDERMOTT.

H.R. 192: Mr. GOODLING, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. KINGSTON, and Ms. MCKINNEY.

H.R. 195: Mr. THOMPSON.

H.R. 203: Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 293: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

H.R. 294: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

H.R. 295: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

H.R. 387: Mr. PAUL, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. ROHR-ABACHER, and Mr. SENSENBRENNER.

H.R. 399: Mr. CALVERT and Mr. WICKER.

H.R. 404: Mr. CANADY of Florida and Ms. FURSE.

H.R. 414: Mr. GOODLING, Mr. PAPPAS, and Ms. MCKINNEY.

H.R. 426: Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. MCINNIS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. LAFALCE, and Mr. ETHERIDGE.

H.R. 431: Mr. CONdit and Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 446: Mrs. NORTHUP.

H.R. 457: Mr. SNOWBARGER.

H.R. 598: Mr. MCINTYRE.

H.R. 630: Mr. DELLUMS.

H.R. 659: Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, and Mr. MCCOLLUM.

H.R. 665: Mrs. KELLY, Mr. BLILEY, and Mr. LOBIONDO.

H.R. 695: Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. MCHUGH, and Ms. FURSE.

H.R. 716: Mr. HASTERT and Mr. UPTON.

H.R. 723: Mr. ETHERIDGE.

H.R. 754: Mr. KLING and Mr. SKAGGS.

H.R. 820: Mr. BALDACCI.

H.R. 880: Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. MANZULLO, and Mr. DICKEY.

H.R. 900: Mr. PASCARELL, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. FOLIETTA, and Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.

H.R. 955: Mr. WALSH.

H.R. 964: Mr. GOODLATTE and Mr. BILBRAY.

H.R. 990: Ms. MOLINARI.

H.R. 991: Mr. POSHARD and Mr. VENTO.

H.R. 1006: Ms. RIVERS.

H.R. 1060: Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. PASCARELL, Mr. BARCIA of Michigan, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. CRAMER, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. HUTCHINSON, and Mr. BILBRAY.

H.R. 1061: Mr. SNYDER and Mr. BENTSEN.

H.R. 1063: Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. PICKETT, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. WICKER, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. GOODE, and Ms. PRYCE of Ohio.

H.R. 1126: Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, and Mr. BORSKI.

H.R. 1129: Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. SPENCE, and Mr. PAPPAS.

H.R. 1132: Ms. FURSE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. SERRANO, and Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 1138: Mr. THORBERRY and Mr. WELDON of Florida.

H.R. 1160: Ms. WATERS, Mr. VENTO, and Mr. METCALF.

H.R. 1163: Mr. SKAGGS.

H.R. 1170: Mr. GIBBONS.

H.R. 1188: Mr. BONIOR.

H.R. 1231: Mr. SNYDER and Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon.

H.R. 1247: Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania and Mr. UPTON.

H.R. 1258: Mr. GOODLATTE.

H.R. 1260: Mr. MCINTOSH.

H.R. 1263: Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H.R. 1270: Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. GREEN, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. CRAMER, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. KANJORSKI, and Mr. HOEKSTRA.

H.R. 1283: Mr. WEXLER, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. UPTON, Mr. MCINNIS, and Mr. MANZULLO.

H.R. 1285: Mr. SOUDER.

H.R. 1296: Mr. GRAHAM.

H.R. 1298: Mr. YATES, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. FOLEY, and Mr. REYES.

H.R. 1315: Mr. GREEN, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. MASCARA, and Mr. PAYNE.

H.R. 1320: Mr. EVANS.

H.R. 1322: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska.

H.R. 1334: Mr. PAYNE and Mrs. MEEK of Florida.

H.R. 1345: Mr. ENGEL.

H.R. 1356: Mr. MCKEON, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

H.R. 1357: Mr. FILNER.

H.R. 1375: Mr. DUNCAN and Ms. KILPATRICK.

H.R. 1401: Ms. RIVERS.

H.R. 1415: Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. BAESLER, Mr. MOLLOHAN, Mr. OLVER, Mr. POSHARD, Mr. PASCARELL, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. BRYANT, Mrs. LINDA SMITH of

Washington, Mr. HYDE, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, and Mr. GOODE.

H.R. 1438: Mr. SCHUMER.

H.R. 1442: Mr. METCALF.

H.R. 1475: Mr. KLUG and Mr. FRELING-HUYSEN.

H.R. 1524: Mr. OLVER.

H.R. 1532: Mr. KIM.

H.R. 1559: Mr. PICKERING, Mr. ARCHER, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. NEY, Mr. HANSEN, and Mr. RIGGS.

H.R. 1570: Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. SABO, Ms. DELAULO, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. STARK, Mr. YATES, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. FLAKE.

H.R. 1592: Mr. MCCRERY.

H.R. 1593: Mr. WATKINS.

H.R. 1612: Mr. ROHRBACHER and Mr. GALLEGLEY.

H.R. 1684: Mrs. EMERSON.

H.J. Res. 71: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska.

H.J. Res. 75: Mr. FOLEY, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. CARSON, and Mr. POSHARD.

H. Con. Res. 52: Mr. MATSUI, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. NUSSLE.

H. Con. Res. 65: Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. FURSE, Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. BARCIA of Michigan, Mr. FROST, and Mr. MCHUGH.

H. Con. Res. 71: Ms. NORTON, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. STARK, Mr. FROST, Mr. CLEMENT, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. GONZALEZ, and Mr. RANGEL.

H. Res. 45: Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. HOBSON, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. KLUG, Mr. POMBO, and Mr. RUSH.

H. Res. 138: Ms. RIVERS, Mr. CLEMENT, and Mr. BALDACCI.

¶53.26 DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were deleted from public bills and resolutions as follows:

H. Con. Res. 65: Mr. BOB SCHAEFFER.

THURSDAY, MAY 22, 1997 (54)

¶54.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,

May 22, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable CHARLES H. TAYLOR to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

¶54.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, May 21, 1997.

Mr. GIBBONS, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, objected to the Chair's approval of the Journal.

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House agree to the Chair's approval of said Journal?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. GIBBONS objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that the vote would be postponed until later today.

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

¶54.3 COMMUNICATIONS

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

3402. A letter from the Associate Chief, U.S. Forest Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Small Business Timber Sale Set-Aside Program; Appeal Procedures on Recomputation of Shares [36 CFR Part 223] (RIN: 0596-AB62) received May 12, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3403. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting a draft of two proposed legislative items that would ease current restrictions which preclude the Department of Defense from procuring certain items from foreign sources; to the Committee on National Security.

3404. A letter from the Director, Institute of Museum and Library Services, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to make technical amendments to the Museum and Library Services Act of 1996; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

3405. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Clean Air Act Limited Approval of Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Control Measures for Texas [TX43-1-7333; FRL-5824-6] received May 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3406. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Sustainable Development Challenge Grant Program [FRL-5825-6] received May 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3407. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Underground Storage Tank Program: Approved State Program for Mississippi [FRL-5827-1] received May 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3408. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Export Requirements for Medical Devices; Technical Amendment [21 CFR Part 812] received May 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3409. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Environmental Report—Materials Licenses [10 CFR Part 51] received May 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3410. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries Off West Coast and Western Pacific States; West Coast Salmon Fisheries; Closure from Point Lopez to Point Mugu, CA [Docket No. 960429120-6120-01; I.D. 042997A] received May 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3411. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting