

The enrolled bill contains an objectionable provision that funds the Commission for the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement. I agree with the Fraternal Order of Police and other national law enforcement organizations that certain activities of the Commission, such as evaluating the handling of specific investigative cases, could interfere with Federal law enforcement policy and operations. This type of oversight is most properly the role of Congress, not an unelected review board. If external views about law enforcement programs are needed, a better approach would be to fund the National Commission to Support Law Enforcement.

I also object to two other items in the bill. One reduces funding for the Ounce of Prevention Council by roughly one-third. This reduction would substantially diminish the work of the Council in coordinating crime prevention efforts at the Federal level and assisting community efforts to make their neighborhoods safer. The Council is in the process of awarding \$1.8 million for grants to prevent youth substance abuse and of evaluating its existing grant programs. The Council has received over 300 applications from communities and community-based organizations from all across the country for these grants. In addition, the bill reduces funding for the Department of Defense Dual-Use Applications Program. That program helps to develop technologies used and tested by the cost-conscious commercial sector and to incorporate them into military systems. Reducing funding for this program would result in higher costs for future defense systems. The projects selected in this year's competition will save the Department of Defense an estimated \$3 billion.

Finally, by including extraneous issues in this bill, the Republican leadership has also delayed necessary funding for maintaining military readiness. The Secretary of Defense has written the Congress detailing the potential disruption of military training.

I urge the Congress to remove these extraneous provisions and to send me a straightforward disaster relief bill that I can sign promptly, so that we can help hard-hit American families and businesses as they struggle to rebuild. Americans in need should not have to endure further delay.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 9, 1997.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, by unanimous consent, ordered that the veto message, together with the accompanying bill, be printed (H. Doc. 105-96) and spread upon the pages of the Journal of the House.

Mr. MCDADE moved that the veto message and accompanying bill be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

After debate,

Mr. MCDADE moved the previous question on said motion.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House now order the previous question on said motion?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, announced that the yeas had it.

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

A quorum not being present,

The roll was called under clause 4, rule XV, and the call was taken by electronic device.

When there appeared { Yeas 216
Nays 205

¶62.31 [Roll No. 177]
YEAS—216

Aderholt	Gekas	Nussle
Archer	Gibbons	Oxley
Armey	Gilchrest	Pappas
Bachus	Gillmor	Parker
Baker	Gilman	Paul
Ballenger	Goodlatte	Paxon
Barr	Goodling	Pease
Barrett (NE)	Goss	Peterson (PA)
Bartlett	Graham	Petri
Barton	Granger	Pickering
Bass	Greenwood	Pitts
Bateman	Gutknecht	Pombo
Bereuter	Hansen	Porter
Bilbray	Hastert	Portman
Bilirakis	Hastings (WA)	Pryce (OH)
Bilely	Hayworth	Quinn
Blunt	Hefley	Radanovich
Boehler	Herger	Redmond
Boehner	Hill	Regula
Bonilla	Hilleary	Riggs
Bono	Hobson	Riley
Brady	Hoekstra	Rogan
Bryant	Horn	Rogers
Bunning	Hostettler	Rohrabacher
Burr	Houghton	Ros-Lehtinen
Burton	Hulshof	Royce
Buyer	Hunter	Ryun
Callahan	Hutchinson	Salmon
Calvert	Hyde	Sanford
Camp	Inglis	Saxton
Campbell	Istook	Scarborough
Canady	Jenkins	Schaefer, Dan
Cannon	Johnson (CT)	Schaffer, Bob
Castle	Johnson, Sam	Sensenbrenner
Chabot	Jones	Sessions
Chambliss	Kasich	Shadegg
Chenoweth	Kelly	Shaw
Christensen	Kim	Shays
Coble	King (NY)	Shimkus
Coburn	Kingston	Shuster
Collins	Klug	Skeen
Combest	Knollenberg	Smith (MI)
Cook	Kolbe	Smith (NJ)
Cooksey	LaHood	Smith (OR)
Cox	Largent	Smith (TX)
Crane	Latham	Smith, Linda
Crapo	LaTourette	Snowbarger
Cubin	Lazio	Solomon
Cunningham	Lewis (CA)	Souder
Davis (VA)	Lewis (KY)	Spence
Deal	Linder	Stearns
DeLay	Livingston	Stump
Diaz-Balart	LoBiondo	Sununu
Dickey	Lucas	Talent
Doolittle	Manzullo	Taylor (NC)
Dreier	McCollum	Thomas
Duncan	McCrery	Thornberry
Dunn	McDade	Tiahrt
Ehlers	McHugh	Upton
Ehrlich	McInnis	Walsh
English	McIntosh	Wamp
Ensign	McKeon	Watkins
Everett	Mica	Watts (OK)
Ewing	Miller (FL)	Weldon (FL)
Foley	Moran (KS)	Weldon (PA)
Forbes	Morella	Weller
Fowler	Myrick	White
Fox	Nethercutt	Whitfield
Franks (NJ)	Neumann	Wicker
Frelinghuysen	Ney	Wolf
Gallely	Northup	Young (AK)
Ganske	Norwood	Young (FL)

NAYS—205

Abercrombie	Baesler	Berman
Ackerman	Baldacci	Berry
Allen	Barrett (WI)	Bishop
Andrews	Bentsen	Blagojevich

Blumenauer	Holden	Pallone
Bonior	Hooley	Pascrell
Borski	Hoyer	Pastor
Boswell	Jackson (IL)	Payne
Boyd	Jackson-Lee	Pelosi
Brown (CA)	(TX)	Peterson (MN)
Brown (FL)	Jefferson	Pickett
Brown (OH)	John	Pomeroy
Capps	Johnson (WI)	Poshard
Cardin	Johnson, E. B.	Price (NC)
Carson	Kanjorski	Rahall
Clay	Kaptur	Ramstad
Clayton	Kennedy (MA)	Rangel
Clement	Kennedy (RI)	Reyes
Clyburn	Kennelly	Rivers
Condit	Kildee	Rodriguez
Conyers	Kilpatrick	Roemer
Costello	Kind (WI)	Rothman
Coyne	Klecicka	Roukema
Cramer	Klink	Roybal-Allard
Cummings	Kucinich	Sabo
Danner	LaFalce	Sanchez
Davis (FL)	Lampson	Sanders
Davis (IL)	Lantos	Sandlin
DeFazio	Leach	Sawyer
DeGette	Levin	Scott
Delahunt	Lewis (GA)	Serrano
DeLauro	Lipinski	Sherman
Dellums	Lofgren	Sisisky
Deutsch	Lowey	Skaggs
Dicks	Luther	Skelton
Dingell	Maloney (CT)	Slaughter
Dixon	Maloney (NY)	Smith, Adam
Doggett	Manton	Snyder
Dooley	Markey	Spratt
Doyle	Martinez	Stabenow
Edwards	Mascara	Stark
Emerson	Matsui	Stenholm
Engel	McCarthy (MO)	Stokes
Eshoo	McCarthy (NY)	Strickland
Etheridge	McDermott	Stupak
Evans	McGovern	Tanner
Fazio	McHale	Tauscher
Filner	McIntyre	Taylor (MS)
Foglietta	McKinney	Thompson
Ford	McNulty	Thune
Frank (MA)	Meehan	Thurman
Frost	Meek	Tierney
Furse	Menendez	Torres
Gejdenson	Millender	Towns
Gephardt	McDonald	Trafficant
Gonzalez	Miller (CA)	Turner
Goode	Minge	Velazquez
Gordon	Mink	Vento
Green	Moakley	Visclosky
Gutierrez	Mollohan	Waters
Hall (OH)	Moran (VA)	Watt (NC)
Hall (TX)	Murtha	Waxman
Hamilton	Nadler	Wexler
Harman	Neal	Weygand
Hastings (FL)	Oberstar	Wise
Hefner	Obeys	Woolsey
Hilliard	Olver	Wynn
Hinchee	Ortiz	Yates
Hinojosa	Owens	

NOT VOTING—13

Barcia	Fawell	Schiff
Becerra	Flake	Schumer
Boucher	Metcalf	Tauzin
Farr	Molinari	
Fattah	Packard	

So the previous question on the motion to refer the veto message and accompanying bill was ordered.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House agree to the motion to refer the veto message and accompanying bill to the Committee on Appropriations?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, announced that the yeas had it.

So the motion to refer was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said motion was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

¶62.32 COMMUNICATION FROM THE
CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE
PRESIDENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, June 9, 1997.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives. I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on June 9, 1997 at 2:34 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President whereby he transmits proposed legislation entitled the "Cloning Prohibition Act of 1997."

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk, House of Representatives.

¶62.33 CLONING PROHIBITION

The Clerk then read the message from the President, as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am pleased to transmit today for immediate consideration and prompt enactment the "Cloning Prohibition Act of 1997." This legislative proposal would prohibit any attempt to create a human being using somatic cell nuclear transfer technology, the method that was used to create Dolly the sheep. This proposal will also provide for further review of the ethical and scientific issues associated with the use of somatic cell nuclear transfer in human beings.

Following the February report that a sheep had been successfully cloned using a new technique, I requested my National Bioethics Advisory Commission to examine the ethical and legal implications of applying the same cloning technology to human beings. The Commission concluded that at this time "it is morally unacceptable for anyone in the public or private sector, whether in a research or clinical setting, to attempt to create a child using somatic cell nuclear transfer cloning" and recommended that Federal legislation be enacted to prohibit such activities. I agree with the Commission's conclusion and am transmitting this legislative proposal to implement its recommendation.

Various forms of cloning technology have been used for decades resulting in important biomedical and agricultural advances. Genes, cells, tissues, and even whole plants and animals have been cloned to develop new therapies for treating such disorders as cancer, diabetes, and cystic fibrosis. Cloning technology also holds promise for producing replacement skin, cartilage, or bone tissue for burn or accident victims, and nerve tissue to treat spinal cord injury. Therefore, nothing in the "Cloning Prohibition Act of 1997" restricts activities in other areas of biomedical and agricultural research that involve: (1) the use of somatic cell nuclear transfer or other cloning technologies to clone molecules, DNA, cells, and tissues; or (2) the use of so-

matic cell nuclear transfer techniques to create animals.

The Commission recommended that such legislation provide for further review of the state or somatic cell nuclear transfer technology and the ethical and social issues attendant to its potential use to create human beings. My legislative proposal would implement this recommendation and assign responsibility for the review, to be completed in the fifth year after passage of the legislation, to the National Bioethics Advisory Commission.

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

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 9, 1997.

By unanimous consent, the message was referred to the Committee on Commerce and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-97).

¶62.34 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. 610. An Act to implement the obligations of the United States under the Chemical Weapons Convention; to the Committee on International Relations and in addition, to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.

¶62.35 BILL PRESENTED TO THE
PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight reported that that committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title: On June 9, 1997: H.R. 1469. An Act making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, including those in Bosnia, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

¶62.36 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted—

To Mr. FLAKE, for today and balance of the week; and

To Mr. FARR, for today and balance of the week.

And then,

¶62.37 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mrs. CHENOWETH, at 10 o'clock and 45 minutes p.m., the House adjourned.

¶62.38 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:

[Submitted June 9, 1997]

Mr. BLILEY: Committee on Commerce. H.R. 1277. A bill to authorize appropriations

for fiscal year 1998 and fiscal year 1999 for the civilian research, development, demonstration, and commercial application activities of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 105-67 Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

[Submitted June 10, 1997]

Mr. SOLOMON: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 163. Resolution providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 54) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States (Rept. No. 105-126). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. GOSS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 164. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 437) to reauthorize the National Sea Grant College Program Act, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-127). Referred to the House Calendar.

¶62.39 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. HYDE (for himself, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. STARK, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MARTINEZ, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. CLAY, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. FOGLIETTA, Mr. PARKER, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BAKER, and Mr. CUMMINGS):

H.R. 1835. A bill to provide a more just and uniform procedure for Federal civil forfeitures; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. BURTON of Indiana (for himself and Mr. MICA):

H.R. 1836. A bill to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to improve administration of sanctions against unfit health care providers under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Ms. JACKSON-LEE:

H.R. 1837. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to the penalty for the rape of juveniles in prison; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SHUSTER (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. GILCREST, and Mr. CLEMENT) (all by request):

H.R. 1838. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the Coast Guard, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. WHITE (for himself, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. HORN, Mr. NORWOOD, and Ms. DUNN of Washington):

H.R. 1839. A bill to establish nationally uniform requirements regarding the titling and registration of salvage, nonrepairable, and rebuilt vehicles; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.