

H.R. 2916: Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado.
H.R. 2951: Mr. HOUGHTON and Ms. STABENOW.
H.R. 2955: Mr. BONILLA and Mr. LATOURETTE.

H.R. 2960: Mr. STARK, Mr. FROST, and Mr. LAMPSON.

H.R. 2990: Mr. SKAGGS, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. OWENS, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. VENTO, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. WAMP, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. POMEROY, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. COYNE, Mr. KANJORSKI, and Mr. GOODE.

H.R. 3008: Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. GOODE, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. LIPINSKI, and Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota.

H.R. 3027: Mr. PAYNE and Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA.

H.R. 3028: Mr. PAYNE and Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA.

H.R. 3043: Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. PASCRELL.

H.R. 3062: Mr. HOLDEN and Mr. COYNE.

H.R. 3070: Mr. HINCHEY and Ms. CARSON.

H.R. 3097: Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. SALMON, Mr. COOK, Mr. KLUG, Mr. BALENGER, Mr. GOSS, Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado, Mr. HILL, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. GOODE, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. COBURN.

H.R. 3107: Mr. ANDREWS.

H.R. 3116: Mr. LAZIO of New York.

H.R. 3126: Ms. DELAURO, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. DINGELL.

H.R. 3128: Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. GOODLING, Mrs. THURMAN, and Mr. MANTON.

H.R. 3134: Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. MANTON, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. FROST, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. LIPINSKI, and Mr. DEFAZIO.

H.R. 3135: Mr. TORRES.

H.J. Res. 71: Mrs. EMERSON and Mr. LATOURETTE.

H.J. Res. 100: Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. FILNER, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. NEY, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. SABO, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. WAMP, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. ROHR-ABACHER, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. CAMP, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. GREEN, Mr. STUMP, Ms. LOFGREEN, Mr. METCALF, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. BOYD, Mr. COYNE, Mr. HANSEN, and Mr. CANADY of Florida.

H. Con. Res. 15: Mr. SHERMAN.

H. Con. Res. 55: Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. OBEY, and Mr. PAXON.

H. Con. Res. 126: Ms. JACKSON-LEE.

H. Con. Res. 141: Mr. MCCRERY.

H. Con. Res. 152: Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. TRAFICANT.

H. Con. Res. 175: Mr. BOEHLERT.

H. Con. Res. 195: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. UPTON, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mrs. THURMAN.

H. Res. 37: Mr. BROWN of Ohio.

H. Res. 267: Mr. HOEKSTRA and Mr. HILLEARY.

H. Res. 310: Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CONDIT, and Mr. BACHUS.

4.27 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.R. 1415: Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky.

H.R. 2552: Mr. BACHUS.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1998 (5)

5.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. EMERSON, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,

February 5, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable JO ANN EMERSON to act a Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

5.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. EMERSON, announced she had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, February 4, 1998.

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

5.3 COMMUNICATIONS

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

7006. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the Department's Annual Report to the President and the Congress 1998, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 113; to the Committee on National Security.

7007. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a copy of Presidential Determination No. 98-7: Emigration Policies of Albania, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2432(a) and 2439(a); (H. Doc. No. 105-209); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

7008. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a report on the status of efforts to obtain Iraq's compliance with the resolutions adopted by the U.N. Security Council, pursuant to Public Law 102-1, section 3 (105 Stat. 4); (H. Doc. No. 105-212); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

7009. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Department's report entitled "Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1997," pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2151(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

7010. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the President's report entitled "Destruction of Equipment East of the Urals"; to the Committee on International Relations.

7011. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-226, "James M. McGee, Jr., Street, S.E. Designation Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7012. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-227, "Ronald H. Brown Building Designation Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7013. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-228, "Brian T. A. Gibson Memorial Building Designation Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7014. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a

copy of D.C. Act 12-229, "Closing of a Public Alley in Square 5157, S.O. 95-107, Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7015. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-230, "Taxicab Commission Hearing Examiner Amendment Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7016. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-231, "Fleet Traffic Adjudication Amendment Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7017. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-232, "Closing of a Public Alley in Square 5405, S.O. 96-135, Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7018. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-233, "Criminal Code Technical Amendments Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7019. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-234, "Establishment of Council Contract Review Criteria Temporary Amendment Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7020. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-235, "Tax Revision Commission Establishment Temporary Amendment Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7021. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-236, "Reorganization Plan No. 5 for the Department of Human Services and Department of Corrections Temporary Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7022. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-246, "Technical Amendments Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7023. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-249, "Chief Procurement Officer Qualification Amendment Act of 1997" received January 29, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7024. A letter from the Interim District of Columbia Auditor, District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of a report entitled "Review of the Department of Employment Services' Surplus Tax Surcharge Funds," pursuant to D.C. Code section 47-117(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7025. A letter from the Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7026. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting

a draft of proposed legislation entitled the "Federal Employees Health Benefits Children's Equity Act of 1997"; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7027. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the FY 1997 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.

7028. A letter from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7029. A letter from the the Administrative Assistant, the Disabled American Veterans, transmitting the report of the proceedings of the organization's 76th National Convention, including their annual audit report of receipts and expenditures as of December 31, 1996, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 901 and 44 U.S.C. 1332; (H. Doc. No. 105-208); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and ordered to be printed.

7030. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting an updated report concerning the emigration laws and policies of Albania, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2432(b); (H. Doc. No. 105-210); to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

7031. A letter from the Chairman, International Trade Commission, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to provide authorization of appropriations for the United States International Trade Commission for fiscal year 2000; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7032. A letter from the Executive Director, Office of Compliance, transmitting supplementary notice of proposed rulemaking for publication in the Congressional RECORD, pursuant to Public Law 104-1, section 303(b) (109 Stat. 28); jointly to the Committees on House Oversight and Education and the Workforce.

¶5.4 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2846

Mr. LINDER, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 348):

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 1(b) of rule XXIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2846) to prohibit spending Federal education funds on national testing without explicit and specific legislation. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill. The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition on the basis of whether the Member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 6 of rule XXIII. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may: (1) postpone until

a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed question that follows another electronic vote without intervening business, provided that the minimum time for electronic voting on the first in any series of questions shall be fifteen minutes. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

When said resolution was considered. After debate,

Mr. LINDER moved the previous question on the resolution to its adoption or rejection.

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House now order the previous question?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. EMERSON, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. FROST 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 220
Nays 185

¶5.5 [Roll No.8] YEAS—220

Aderholt	Cubin	Hastings (WA)
Archer	Cunningham	Hayworth
Armey	Davis (VA)	Hefley
Bachus	Deal	Hill
Baker	DeLay	Hilleary
Ballenger	Diaz-Balart	Hobson
Barr	Dickey	Hoekstra
Barrett (NE)	Doolittle	Horn
Bartlett	Dreier	Hostettler
Barton	Duncan	Houghton
Bass	Dunn	Hulshof
Bateman	Ehlers	Hunter
Bereuter	Ehrlich	Hutchinson
Billbray	Emerson	Hyde
Bilirakis	English	Inglis
Billey	Ensign	Istook
Blunt	Everett	Jenkins
Boehlert	Ewing	Johnson (CT)
Boehner	Fawell	Jones
Bonilla	Foley	Kasich
Brady	Forbes	Kelly
Bryant	Fossella	Kim
Bunning	Fowler	Kingston
Burr	Fox	Klug
Buyer	Franks (NJ)	Knollenberg
Callahan	Frelinghuysen	Kolbe
Calvert	Gallegly	LaHood
Camp	Ganske	Latham
Campbell	Gekas	LaTourette
Canady	Gibbons	Lazio
Cannon	Gilchrest	Leach
Castle	Gillmor	Lewis (CA)
Chabot	Gilman	Lewis (KY)
Chambliss	Goode	Linder
Christensen	Goodlatte	Livingston
Coble	Goodling	LoBiondo
Coburn	Goss	Lucas
Collins	Graham	Manzullo
Combest	Granger	McCollum
Cook	Greenwood	McCrery
Cooksey	Gutknecht	McDade
Cox	Hall (TX)	McHugh
Crane	Hansen	McInnis
Crapo	Hastert	McIntosh

Metcalf	Regula	Solomon
Mica	Riley	Souder
Miller (FL)	Rogers	Spence
Moran (KS)	Rohrabacher	Stearns
Morella	Ros-Lehtinen	Stump
Myrick	Roukema	Sununu
Nethercutt	Royce	Talent
Neumann	Ryun	Tauzin
Ney	Sabo	Thomas
Northup	Salmon	Thornberry
Norwood	Sanford	Thune
Nussle	Saxton	Tiahrt
Oxley	Scarborough	Trafficant
Packard	Schaefer, Dan	Turner
Pappas	Schaffer, Bob	Upton
Parker	Sensenbrenner	Walsh
Paul	Sessions	Wamp
Paxon	Shadegg	Watkins
Pease	Shaw	Watts (OK)
Peterson (PA)	Shays	Weldon (FL)
Petri	Shimkus	Weldon (PA)
Pickering	Shuster	Weller
Pitts	Skeen	White
Pombo	Skelton	Whitfield
Porter	Smith (MI)	Wicker
Portman	Smith (NJ)	Wolf
Pryce (OH)	Smith (OR)	Young (AK)
Quinn	Smith (TX)	Young (FL)
Ramstad	Smith, Linda	
Redmond	Snowbarger	

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Abercrombie	Hamilton	Oberstar
Ackerman	Harman	Obey
Allen	Hastings (FL)	Olver
Andrews	Hefner	Ortiz
Baesler	Hilliard	Owens
Baldacci	Hinchey	Pallone
Barcia	Hinojosa	Pascrell
Barrett (WI)	Holden	Pastor
Bentsen	Hooley	Payne
Berman	Hoyer	Pelosi
Berry	Jackson (IL)	Peterson (MN)
Bishop	Jackson-Lee	Pickett
Blagojevich	(TX)	Poshard
Bonior	Jefferson	Price (NC)
Borski	John	Rahall
Boswell	Johnson (WI)	Rangel
Boucher	Johnson, E. B.	Reyes
Boyd	Kanjorski	Rivers
Brown (CA)	Kaptur	Rodriguez
Brown (FL)	Kennedy (MA)	Roemer
Brown (OH)	Kennedy (RI)	Rothman
Cardin	Kennelly	Roybal-Allard
Carson	Kildee	Rush
Clay	Kilpatrick	Sanchez
Clayton	Kind (WI)	Sanders
Clement	Kleccka	Sandlin
Clyburn	Kucinich	Sawyer
Condit	LaFalce	Schumer
Conyers	Lampson	Scott
Costello	Lantos	Serrano
Coyne	Levin	Sherman
Cramer	Lewis (GA)	Sisisky
Cummings	Lipinski	Skaggs
Danner	Lofgren	Slaughter
Davis (FL)	Lowe	Smith, Adam
Davis (IL)	Luther	Snyder
DeFazio	Maloney (CT)	Spratt
DeGette	Maloney (NY)	Stabenow
DeLauro	Manton	Stark
Dellums	Martinez	Stenholm
Deutsch	Mascara	Stokes
Dicks	Matsui	Strickland
Dingell	McCarthy (MO)	Tanner
Dixon	McCarthy (NY)	Tauscher
Dooley	McDermott	Taylor (MS)
Doyle	McGovern	Thompson
Edwards	McHale	Thurman
Etheridge	McIntyre	Tierney
Evans	McKinney	Torres
Farr	McNulty	Towns
Fattah	Meehan	Velazquez
Fazio	Meek (FL)	Vento
Filner	Menendez	Waters
Ford	Millender	Watt (NC)
Frank (MA)	McDonald	Waxman
Frost	Miller (CA)	Wexler
Furse	Minge	Weygand
Gejdenson	Mink	Wise
Gephardt	Moakley	Woolsey
Gordon	Mollohan	Wynn
Green	Moran (VA)	Yates
Gutierrez	Murtha	
	Nadler	

NOT VOTING—25

Becerra	Chenoweth	Eshoo
Blumenauer	Doggett	Gonzalez
Burton	Engel	Hall (OH)

Herger	McKeon	Schiff
Johnson, Sam	Neal	Stupak
King (NY)	Pomeroy	Taylor (NC)
Klink	Radanovich	Visclosky
Largent	Riggs	
Markey	Rogan	

So the previous question on the resolution was ordered.

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House agree to said resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. EMERSON, announced that the yeas had it.

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

15.6 PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL EDUCATION FUNDS FOR NATIONAL TESTING

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. EMERSON, pursuant to House Resolution 348 and rule XXIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 2846) to prohibit spending Federal education funds on national testing without explicit and specific legislation.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. EMERSON, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. EWING as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MCHUGH, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. EWING, Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 348, reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee.

The previous question having been ordered by said resolution.

The following amendment, reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, was agreed to:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS.

The Congress finds the following:

(1) High State and local standards in reading, mathematics, and other core academic subjects are essential to the future well-being of elementary and secondary education in this country.

(2) State and local control of education is the hallmark of education in the United States.

(3) Each of the 50 States already utilizes numerous tests to measure student achievement, including State and commercially available assessments. State assessments are based primarily upon State and locally developed academic standards.

(4) Public Law 105-78, the Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act, 1998, ensures that Federal funds may not be used to field test, pilot test, implement, administer, or distribute in any way, any federally sponsored national test in fiscal year 1998, requires the National Academy of Sciences to conduct a study to determine whether an equivalency scale can be developed that would allow existing tests to be compared one to another, and permits very limited test development activities in fourth grade reading and eighth grade mathematics in fiscal year 1998.

(5) There is no specific or explicit authority in current Federal law authorizing the

proposed federally sponsored national tests in fourth grade reading and eighth grade mathematics.

(6) The decision of whether or not this country implements, administers, disseminates, or otherwise has federally sponsored national tests in fourth grade reading and eighth grade mathematics or any other subject, will be determined primarily through the normal legislative process involving Congress and the respective authorizing committees.

SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON FEDERALLY SPONSORED TESTING.

Part C of the General Education Provisions Act is amended by adding at the end the following:

"§ 447. Prohibition on federally sponsored testing

"(a) GENERAL PROHIBITION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of Federal law and, except as provided in sections 305 through 311 of Public Law 105-78, the Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act, 1998, funds provided to the Department of Education or to an applicable program under this Act or any other Act, may not be used to develop, plan, implement (including pilot testing or field testing), or administer any federally sponsored national test in reading, mathematics, or any other subject that is not specifically and explicitly provided for in authorizing legislation enacted into law.

"(b) EXCEPTIONS.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to the Third International Math and Science Study or other international comparative assessments developed under authority of section 406(a)(6) of the National Education Statistics Act of 1994, and administered to only a representative sample of pupils in the United States and in foreign nations."

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read a third time by title.

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House pass said bill?

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

Mr. CLAY 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 242
Nays 174

15.7 [Roll No.9] YEAS—242

Aderholt	Burr	Danner
Archer	Buyer	Davis (VA)
Army	Callahan	Deal
Bachus	Calvert	DeFazio
Baker	Camp	DeLay
Ballegger	Campbell	Diaz-Balart
Barr	Canady	Dickey
Barrett (NE)	Castle	Doollittle
Bartlett	Chabot	Doyle
Barton	Chambliss	Dreier
Bass	Chenoweth	Duncan
Bateman	Christensen	Dunn
Bereuter	Coble	Ehlers
Bilbray	Coburn	Ehrlich
Bilirakis	Collins	Emerson
Bliley	Combest	English
Blunt	Condit	Ensign
Boehlert	Cook	Evans
Boehner	Cooksey	Everett
Bonilla	Cox	Ewing
Boyd	Crane	Fawell
Brady	Crapo	Foley
Bryant	Cubin	Fossella
Bunning	Cunningham	Fowler

Fox	Leach	Roukema
Franks (NJ)	Lewis (CA)	Royce
Frelinghuysen	Lewis (KY)	Ryun
Gallegly	Linder	Salmon
Ganske	Lipinski	Sanford
Gekas	Livingston	Saxton
Gibbons	LoBiondo	Scarborough
Gilchrest	Lucas	Schaefer, Dan
Gillmor	Manzullo	Schaffer, Bob
Gilman	McCollum	Sensenbrenner
Goode	McCrery	Sessions
Goodlatte	McDade	Shadegg
Goodling	McHugh	Shaw
Goss	McInnis	Shays
Graham	McIntosh	Shimkus
Granger	Metcalf	Shuster
Greenwood	Mica	Sisisky
Gutknecht	Miller (FL)	Skeen
Hall (TX)	Mollohan	Smith (MI)
Hamilton	Moran (KS)	Smith (NJ)
Hansen	Morella	Smith (OR)
Hastert	Myrick	Smith (TX)
Hastings (WA)	Nethercutt	Smith, Linda
Hayworth	Neumann	Snowbarger
Hefley	Ney	Solomon
Hill	Northup	Souder
Hilleary	Norwood	Spence
Hobson	Nussle	Stearns
Hoekstra	Oxley	Stenholm
Holden	Packard	Strickland
Horn	Pappas	Stump
Hostettler	Parker	Sununu
Houghton	Paul	Talent
Hulshof	Paxon	Tauzin
Hunter	Pease	Taylor (MS)
Hutchinson	Pelosi	Taylor (NC)
Hyde	Peterson (MN)	Thomas
Inglis	Peterson (PA)	Thornberry
Jenkins	Petri	Thune
John	Pickett	Tiahrt
Johnson, Sam	Pitts	Trafficant
Jones	Pombo	Turner
Kaptur	Porter	Upton
Kasich	Portman	Walsh
Kelly	Pryce (OH)	Wamp
Kim	Quinn	Watkins
King (NY)	Radanovich	Watts (OK)
Kingston	Ramstad	Weldon (FL)
Klecicka	Redmond	Weldon (PA)
Klug	Regula	Weller
Knollenberg	Riggs	White
Kolbe	Rohrabacher	Whitfield
LaHood	Roemer	Wicker
Largent	Rogan	Wolf
Latham	Rogers	Young (AK)
LaTourette	Rohrabacher	Young (FL)
Lazio	Ros-Lehtinen	

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Abercrombie	Doggett	LaFalce
Ackerman	Dooley	Lampson
Allen	Edwards	Lantos
Andrews	Engel	Levin
Baesler	Etheridge	Lewis (GA)
Baldacci	Farr	Lofgren
Barcia	Fattah	Lowey
Barrett (WI)	Fazio	Luther
Bentsen	Filner	Maloney (CT)
Berman	Forbes	Maloney (NY)
Berry	Ford	Manton
Bishop	Frank (MA)	Markey
Blagojevich	Frost	Martinez
Blumenauer	Furse	Mascara
Bonior	Gejdenson	Matsui
Borski	Gephardt	McCarthy (MO)
Boswell	Gordon	McCarthy (NY)
Boucher	Green	McDermott
Brown (CA)	Gutierrez	McGovern
Brown (FL)	Harman	McHale
Brown (OH)	Hastings (FL)	McIntyre
Cardin	Hefner	McKinney
Carson	Hilliard	McNulty
Clay	Hinchesy	Meehan
Clayton	Hinojosa	Meek (FL)
Clement	Hooley	Menendez
Clyburn	Hoyer	Millerder-
Conyers	Jackson (IL)	McDonald
Costello	Jackson-Lee	Miller (CA)
Coyne	(TX)	Minge
Cramer	Jefferson	Mink
Cummings	Johnson (CT)	Moakley
Davis (FL)	Johnson (WI)	Moran (VA)
Davis (IL)	Johnson, E. B.	Murtha
DeGette	Kanjorski	Nadler
Delahunt	Kennedy (MA)	Neal
DeLauro	Kennedy (RI)	Oberstar
Deutsch	Kennelly	Obey
Dicks	Kildee	Olver
Dingell	Kind (WI)	Ortiz
Dixon	Kucinich	Owens

Pallone	Sandlin	Thompson
Pascarell	Sawyer	Thurman
Pastor	Schumer	Tierney
Payne	Scott	Torres
Pomeroy	Serrano	Towns
Poshard	Sherman	Velazquez
Price (NC)	Skaggs	Vento
Rahall	Skelton	Visclosky
Rangel	Slaughter	Waters
Reyes	Smith, Adam	Watt (NC)
Rivers	Snyder	Waxman
Rodriguez	Spratt	Wexler
Rothman	Stabenow	Weygand
Roybal-Allard	Stark	Wise
Rush	Stokes	Woolsey
Sabo	Stupak	Wynn
Sanchez	Tanner	Yates
Sanders	Tauscher	

NOT VOTING—14

Becerra	Gonzalez	Klink
Burton	Hall (OH)	McKeon
Cannon	Herger	Pickering
Dellums	Istook	Schiff
Eshoo	Kilpatrick	

So the bill was passed.

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

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said bill.

§5.8 CLERK TO CORRECT ENGROSSMENT

On motion of Mr. GOODLING, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That in the engrossment of the foregoing bill the Clerk be authorized to make technical corrections and conforming changes to the bill.

§5.9 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF S. 1575

Mr. SOLOMON, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 349):

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (S. 1575) to rename the Washington National Airport located in the District of Columbia and Virginia as the "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport". The bill shall be considered as read for amendment. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; and (2) one motion to recommend.

When said resolution was considered. After debate,

On motion of Mr. SOLOMON, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection and under the operation thereof, the resolution was agreed to.

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

§5.10 RONALD REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT

On motion of Mr. SHUSTER, pursuant to House Resolution 349, the House considered the bill of the Senate (S. 1575) to rename the Washington National Airport located in the District of Columbia and Virginia as the "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport".

When said bill was considered and read twice.

After debate,

The previous question having been ordered by said resolution.

The bill was read a third time by title, and passed.

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

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

By unanimous consent, H.R. 2625, a similar House bill, was laid on the table.

§5.11 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS CANCELLATIONS—H.R. 2631

On motion of Mr. PACKARD, by unanimous consent, the Committee on Appropriations was discharged from further consideration of the veto message on the bill (H.R. 2631) disapproving the cancellations transmitted by the President on October 6, 1997, regarding Public Law 105-45.

Accordingly,

§5.12 UNFINISHED BUSINESS—VETO OF H.R. 2631

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SUNUNU, announced the unfinished business to be the further consideration of the veto message from the President on the bill (H.R. 2631) disapproving the cancellations transmitted by the President on October 6, 1997, regarding Public Law 105-45.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding.

After debate,

By unanimous consent, the previous question was ordered on the bill.

The question being put,

Will the House, upon reconsideration, agree to pass the bill, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding?

It was decided in the { Yeas 347
affirmative } Nays 69

§5.13 [Roll No. 10] YEAS—347

Abercrombie	Brown (FL)	Danner
Aderholt	Bryant	Davis (IL)
Allen	Bunning	Davis (VA)
Archer	Burr	Deal
Bachus	Buyer	Delahunt
Baessler	Callahan	DeLauro
Baker	Calvert	DeLay
Baldacci	Camp	Diaz-Balart
Ballenger	Campbell	Dicks
Barcia	Canady	Dingell
Barr	Cannon	Dixon
Barrett (NE)	Cardin	Doolittle
Bartlett	Castle	Doyle
Barton	Chambliss	Dreier
Bass	Chenoweth	Dunn
Bateman	Christensen	Edwards
Bentsen	Clay	Ehlers
Bereuter	Clayton	Ehrlich
Berman	Clement	Emerson
Berry	Clyburn	English
Bilbray	Coble	Etheridge
Bilirakis	Coburn	Evans
Bishop	Collins	Everett
Blagojevich	Combest	Farr
Bliley	Condit	Fattah
Blumenauer	Cook	Fawell
Blunt	Cooksey	Fazio
Boehlert	Costello	Foley
Boehner	Cox	Forbes
Bonilla	Coyne	Ford
Bonior	Cramer	Fossella
Borski	Crane	Fowler
Boucher	Crapo	Fox
Boyd	Cubin	Frelinghuysen
Brady	Cummings	Frost
Brown (CA)	Cunningham	Galleghy

Gejdenson	Linder	Rogers
Gekas	Lipinski	Ros-Lehtinen
Gephardt	Livingston	Roukema
Gibbons	LoBiondo	Roybal-Allard
Gilchrest	Lowey	Rush
Gillmor	Lucas	Ryun
Gilman	Maloney (CT)	Sabo
Goode	Maloney (NY)	Sanders
Goodlatte	Manton	Sandlin
Goodling	Manzullo	Sawyer
Gordon	Mascara	Saxton
Goss	Matsui	Scarborough
Graham	McCarthy (NY)	Schaefer, Dan
Granger	McCollum	Schaffer, Bob
Green	McCrery	Schumer
Gutknecht	McDade	Scott
Hall (TX)	McGovern	Serrano
Hamilton	McHale	Sessions
Hansen	McHugh	Shadegg
Hastert	McInnis	Shaw
Hastings (FL)	McIntosh	Shimkus
Hastings (WA)	McIntyre	Shuster
Hayworth	McNulty	Sisisky
Hefley	Meek (FL)	Skeen
Hefner	Menendez	Skelton
Hill	Metcalfe	Slaughter
Hilleary	Mica	Smith (NJ)
Hilliard	Millender-McDonald	Smith (OR)
Hinchee	Miller (CA)	Smith (TX)
Hinojosa	Mink	Smith, Adam
Hobson	Moakley	Smith, Linda
Hoekstra	Mollohan	Snowbarger
Holden	Moran (KS)	Snyder
Hoolley	Moran (VA)	Solomon
Horn	Morella	Souder
Hostettler	Murtha	Spence
Houghton	Myrick	Spratt
Hoyer	Nadler	Stabenow
Hulshof	Neal	Stearns
Hunter	Nethercutt	Stenholm
Hutchinson	Ney	Stokes
Hyde	Northup	Stump
Inglis	Norwood	Sununu
Istook	Oberstar	Talent
Jackson (IL)	Obey	Tanner
Jackson-Lee (TX)	Olver	Tauscher
Jefferson	Ortiz	Tauzin
Jenkins	Oxley	Taylor (MS)
John	Packard	Taylor (NC)
Johnson (CT)	Pallone	Thomas
Johnson, E. B.	Pappas	Thompson
Johnson, Sam	Parker	Thornberry
Jones	Pascarell	Thune
Kaptur	Pastor	Thurman
Kasich	Paul	Tiahrt
Kelly	Paxon	Tierney
Kennedy (MA)	Pease	Torres
Kennedy (RI)	Pelosi	Trafficant
Kennelly	Peterson (MN)	Turner
Kildee	Peterson (PA)	Velazquez
Kilpatrick	Pickering	Visclosky
Kim	Pickett	Walsh
King (NY)	Pitts	Wamp
Kingston	Pombo	Waters
Klecza	Pomeroy	Watkins
Knollenberg	Portman	Watt (NC)
Kolbe	Poshard	Watts (OK)
Kucinich	Price (NC)	Weldon (FL)
LaFalce	Pryce (OH)	Weldon (PA)
LaHood	Quinn	Weller
Lampson	Radanovich	Weygand
Lantos	Rahall	White
Largent	Redmond	Whitfield
Latham	Regula	Wicker
LaTourette	Reyes	Wise
Lazio	Riggs	Wolf
Levin	Riley	Woolsey
Lewis (CA)	Rodriguez	Young (AK)
Lewis (GA)	Roemer	Young (FL)
Lewis (KY)	Rogan	

NAYS—69

Ackerman	Ensign	Martinez
Andrews	Ewing	McCarthy (MO)
Barrett (WI)	Filner	McDermott
Boswell	Frank (MA)	McKinney
Brown (OH)	Franks (NJ)	Meehan
Carson	Ganske	Miller (FL)
Chabot	Greenwood	Minge
Conyers	Gutierrez	Neumann
Davis (FL)	Harman	Nussle
DeFazio	Johnson (WI)	Owens
DeGette	Kanjorski	Payne
Deutsch	Kind (WI)	Petri
Dickey	Klug	Ramstad
Doggett	Leach	Rangel
Dooley	Lofgren	Rivers
Duncan	Luther	Rohrabacher
Engel	Markey	Rothman

Royce	Sherman	Towns
Salmon	Skaggs	Upton
Sanchez	Smith (MI)	Vento
Sanford	Stark	Waxman
Sensenbrenner	Strickland	Wexler
Shays	Stupak	Yates

NOT VOTING—14

Arney	Furse	McKeon
Becerra	Gonzalez	Porter
Burton	Hall (OH)	Schiff
Dellums	Herger	Wynn
Eshoo	Klink	

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SUNUNU, announced that 347 Members had voted in the affirmative and 69 Members had voted in the negative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the bill was passed, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

5.14 CALL OF THE HOUSE

On motion of Mr. OWENS of New York, by unanimous consent, a call of the House was ordered.

The call was taken by electronic device, and the following-named Members responded—

5.15 [Roll No. 11]

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—356

Abercrombie	Conyers	Goodling
Ackerman	Cook	Gordon
Aderholt	Cooksey	Goss
Allen	Costello	Graham
Andrews	Cox	Green
Arney	Cramer	Greenwood
Bachus	Crane	Gutierrez
Baker	Crapo	Gutknecht
Baldacci	Cubin	Hall (OH)
Ballenger	Cummings	Hall (TX)
Barcia	Cunningham	Hamilton
Barr	Davis (FL)	Hansen
Barrett (NE)	Davis (IL)	Harman
Barrett (WI)	Davis (VA)	Hastings (FL)
Bartlett	DeFazio	Hastings (WA)
Barton	DeGette	Hayworth
Bass	Delahunt	Hefley
Bateman	DeLauro	Hefner
Bentsen	Dellums	Hill
Bereuter	Deutsch	Hilleary
Berman	Hilliard	Hilliard
Berry	Dicks	Hinches
Bilbray	Dingell	Hinojosa
Bilirakis	Dixon	Hobson
Bishop	Doggett	Hoekstra
Blagojevich	Doolittle	Hooley
Bliley	Doyle	Horn
Blumenauer	Dreier	Hostettler
Boehlert	Duncan	Hoyer
Boehner	Edwards	Hulshof
Bonilla	Ehlers	Inglis
Borski	Ehrlich	Istook
Boswell	Emerson	Jackson (IL)
Brady	Engel	Jackson-Lee
Brown (CA)	Ensign	(TX)
Brown (FL)	Etheridge	Jefferson
Brown (OH)	Everett	Jenkins
Bryant	Ewing	John
Bunning	Farr	Johnson (WI)
Callahan	Fattah	Johnson, E. B.
Calvert	Fazio	Johnson, Sam
Camp	Filner	Jones
Campbell	Foley	Kanjorski
Canady	Forbes	Kaptur
Cannon	Fossella	Kasich
Cardin	Fowler	Kelly
Carson	Fox	Kennedy (MA)
Castle	Franks (NJ)	Kennelly
Chabot	Frelinghuysen	Kildee
Chambliss	Furse	Kilpatrick
Chenoweth	Gejdenson	Kim
Christensen	Gephardt	Kind (WI)
Clayton	Gibbons	King (NY)
Clement	Gilchrest	Kingston
Clyburn	Gillmor	Kleccka
Coburn	Gilman	Klug
Combest	Goode	Knollenberg
Condit	Goodlatte	Kolbe

Kucinich	Oberstar	Shadegg
LaFalce	Obey	Shaw
LaHood	Olver	Shays
Lampson	Ortiz	Sherman
Lantos	Owens	Shimkus
Largent	Packard	Shuster
Latham	Pallone	Sisisky
Lazio	Pappas	Skaggs
Leach	Pascrell	Skelton
Levin	Pastor	Slaughter
Lewis (CA)	Paul	Smith (NJ)
Lewis (GA)	Paxon	Smith (TX)
Lewis (KY)	Payne	Smith, Adam
Linder	Pease	Smith, Linda
Lipinski	Pelosi	Snowbarger
Livingston	Peterson (PA)	Snyder
LoBiondo	Petri	Souder
Lofgren	Pickering	Spence
Lowey	Pickett	Spratt
Lucas	Pitts	Stabenow
Maloney (CT)	Pombo	Stearns
Maloney (NY)	Pomeroy	Stenholm
Manton	Porter	Stokes
Manzullo	Portman	Strickland
Markey	Poshard	Stump
Martinez	Price (NC)	Stupak
Matsui	Pryce (OH)	Sununu
McCarthy (MO)	Quinn	Talent
McCarthy (NY)	Radanovich	Tanner
McCollum	Rahall	Tauscher
McDade	Ramstad	Tauzin
McDermott	Rangel	Thompson
McGovern	Redmond	Thornberry
McHale	Regula	Thune
McIntosh	Reyes	Tiaht
McIntyre	Riley	Tierney
McKinney	Rivers	Torres
McNulty	Rodriguez	Towns
Meehan	Roemer	Trafficant
Meek (FL)	Rogan	Turner
Menendez	Rogers	Upton
Metcalf	Rohrabacher	Velazquez
Mica	Rothman	Vento
Millender-	Roukema	Visclosky
McDonald	Roybal-Allard	Walsh
Miller (CA)	Royce	Wamp
Miller (FL)	Rush	Waters
Minge	Ryun	Watt (NC)
Mink	Sabo	Watts (OK)
Moakley	Salmon	Waxman
Mollohan	Sanchez	Weldon (FL)
Moran (KS)	Sanders	Wexler
Moran (VA)	Sandlin	Weygand
Morella	Sanford	White
Murtha	Sawyer	Whitfield
Nadler	Saxton	Wicker
Neal	Schaffer, Bob	Wise
Nethercutt	Schumer	Wolf
Neumann	Scott	Woolsey
Ney	Sensenbrenner	Young (FL)
Northup	Serrano	
Norwood	Sessions	

Thereupon, the SPEAKER announced that 356 Members had been recorded, a quorum.

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

5.16 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 4, 1998.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a facsimile copy of letter received from Mr. Thomas R. Wilkey, Executive Director, State Board of Elections, State of New York, indicating that, according to the unofficial results for the Special Election held February 3, 1998, the Honorable Gregory Meeks was elected Representative in Congress for the Sixth Congressional District, State of New York.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk.

STATE OF NEW YORK,
STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS,
Albany, NY, February 4, 1998.

ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. CARLE: Enclosed please find the unofficial results of the Special Election held in the 6th Congressional District of New York on Tuesday, February 3, 1998. The results appear to indicate that candidate Gregory Meeks will be the apparent winner.

The Board of Canvassers will be meeting on Tuesday, February 24 to officially certify the official results, and you will be provided with an official certification at that time.

Sincerely,

THOMAS R. WILKEY,
Executive Director.

5.17 ORDER OF BUSINESS—SWEARING IN OF MEMBER-ELECT

On motion of Mr. GEPHARDT, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the fact that the certificate of election of Mr. Gregory Meeks, 6th District of the State of New York, has not been received by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, Mr. MEEKS be permitted to take the oath of office as prescribed by law, there being no contest and no question with regard to his election.

Mr. MEEKS then presented himself at the bar of the House and took the oath of office prescribed by law.

5.18 COMMITTEE ELECTION—MINORITY

Mr. FAZIO, by direction of the Democratic Caucus, submitted the following privileged resolution (H. Res. 351):

Resolved, That the following named Members be, and are hereby elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

To the Committee on Banking and Financial Services:

Max Sandlin of Texas; Gregory Meeks of New York.

When said resolution was considered and agreed to.

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

5.19 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Mr. DREIER, by direction of the Committee on Rules, reported (Rept. No. 105-415) the resolution (H. Res. 352) providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules.

When said resolution and report were referred to the House Calendar and ordered printed.

5.20 CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS DISPENSED WITH

On motion of Mr. HASTERT, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That business in order for consideration on Wednesday, February 11, 1998, under clause 7, rule XXIV, the Calendar Wednesday rule, be dispensed with.

5.21 MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Sundry messages in writing from the President of the United States were

communicated to the House by Mr. Sherman Williams, one of his secretaries.

¶5.22 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FY
1995 REPORT

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

To the Congress of the United States:

As required by the provisions of section 13, Public Law 806, 80th Congress (15 U.S.C. 714k), I transmit herewith the report of the Commodity Credit Corporation for fiscal year 1995.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 5, 1998.*

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

¶5.23 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—
NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE
HUMANITIES 1996 ANNUAL REPORT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GIBBONS, 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 present to you the 1996 annual report of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), the Federal agency charged with fostering scholarship and enriching the ideas and wisdom born of the humanities. The agency supports an impressive range of projects encompassing the worlds of history, literature, philosophy, and culture. Through these projects, Americans of all walks of life are able to explore and share in the uniqueness of our Nation's democratic experience.

The activities of the NEH touch tens of millions of our citizens—from the youngest students to the most veteran professors, to men and women who simply strive for a greater appreciation of our Nation's past, present, and future. The NEH has supported projects as diverse as the widely viewed documentary, *The West*, and research as specialized as that conducted on the Lakota Tribe. Small historical societies have received support, as have some of the Nation's largest cultural institutions.

Throughout our history, the humanities have provided Americans with the knowledge, insights, and perspectives needed to move ourselves and our civilization forward. Today, the NEH remains vitally important to promoting our Nation's culture. Not only does its work continue to add immeasurably to our civic life, it strengthens the democratic spirit so essential to our country and our world on the eve of a new century.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 5, 1998.*

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

¶5.24 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—
U.S.-POLAND FISHERIES AGREEMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GIBBONS, 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 Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), I transmit herewith an Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Poland extending the Agreement of August 1, 1985, Concerning Fisheries Off the Coasts of the United States, with annexes and agreed minutes, as amended and extended (the 1985 Agreement). The Agreement, which was effected by an exchange of notes at Warsaw on February 5 and August 25, 1997, extends the 1985 Agreement to December 31, 1999.

In light of the importance of our fisheries relationship with the Republic of Poland, I urge that the Congress give favorable consideration to this Agreement at an early date.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 5, 1998.*

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Resources and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-211).

¶5.25 SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 1349. An Act to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Prince Nova*, and for other purposes.

S. 1575. An Act to rename the Washington National Airport located in the District of Columbia and Virginia as the "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport".

¶5.26 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to Mr. KLINK, for today.

And then,

¶5.27 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. STEARNS, pursuant to the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 201, at 5 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m., the House adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, February 11, 1998.

¶5.28 OATH OF OFFICE—MEMBERS,
RESIDENT COMMISSIONER, AND
DELEGATES

The oath of office required by the sixth article of the Constitution of the United States, and as provided by section 2 of the act of May 13, 1884 (23 Stat. 22), to be administered to Member, Resident Commissioner, and Delegates of the House of Representatives, the text of which is carried in 5 U.S.C. 3331:

"I, AB, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend

the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God."

has been subscribed to in person and filed in duplicate with the Clerk of the House of Representatives by the following Members of the 105th Congress, pursuant to the provisions of 2 U.S.C. 25:

Honorable GREGORY W. MEEKS, Sixth District of New York.

¶5.29 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON
PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, report of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. DREIER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 352. Resolution providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (Rept. No. 105-415). Referred to the House Calendar.

¶5.30 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:

H.R. 3163. A bill to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to provide protection for trade dress, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

H.R. 3164. A bill to describe the hydrographic services functions of the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. BAKER:

H.R. 3165. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide an opportunity for judicial review concerning the adoption of accounting principles applicable to issuers of federally-registered securities; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BURTON of Indiana (for himself, Mr. ARCHER, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. MICA, Mr. SALMON, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. CANNON, Mr. HASTERT, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. COX of California, Mr. STUMP, Mr. PAUL, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. WALSH, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. DREIER, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. CRANE, Mr. BRADY, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. CAMP, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. DELAY, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. TALENT, Mr. PETRI, Mr. COOK, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. BOEHNER, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. BOB SCHAFFER, Mr. LINDER, Mr. METCALF, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. KLUG, Mr. ROHRBACHER, and Mr. DICKEY):

H.R. 3166. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to permit the use of medical

savings accounts under the health benefits program for Federal employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, 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. ACKERMAN (for himself, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. LAZIO of New York, Mr. FORBES, and Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York):

H.R. 3167. A bill to designate the United States Post Office located at 297 Larkfield Road in East Northport, New York, as the "Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. HUTCHINSON (for himself, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. FILNER, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. FROST, Mr. MARTINEZ, Ms. FURSE, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. SHADEGG):

H.R. 3168. A bill to clarify that bail bond sureties and bounty hunters are subject to both civil and criminal liability for violations of Federal rights under existing Federal civil rights law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island:

H.R. 3169. A bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to include State and local law enforcement agencies under the protection of such Act; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut:

H.R. 3170. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prevent the conversion of ordinary income or short-term capital gain into income eligible for the long-term capital gain rates, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KLUG (for himself, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. STEARNS, and Mr. PAXON):

H.R. 3171. A bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to eliminate from its regulations the restrictions on the cross-ownership of broadcasting stations and newspapers; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania:

H.R. 3172. A bill to provide that funds received by the Federal Government from a tobacco industry settlement shall be used for part A of Medicare; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RANGEL:

H.R. 3173. A bill to lift the trade embargo on Cuba, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, 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. WHITE (for himself, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, and Mr. NETHERCUTT):

H.R. 3174. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require electronic preservation and filing of reports filed with the Federal Election Commission by certain persons, to require such reports to be made available through the Internet, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Oversight.

By Mr. GILMAN (for himself and Mr. GINGRICH):

H. Con. Res. 209. Concurrent resolution remembering the life of George Washington and his contributions to the Nation; to the

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. SHAYS (for himself, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut, Mr. REGULA, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. FROST, and Mr. GOODE):

H. Con. Res. 210. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress with respect to promoting coverage of individuals under long-term care insurance; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Education and the Workforce, 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. FAZIO of California:

H. Res. 351. A resolution designating minority membership on certain standing committees of the House; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. KINGSTON (for himself, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. WAMP, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, and Mr. DEAL of Georgia):

H. Res. 353. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives concerning human rights and due process in Ecuador; to the Committee on International Relations.

5.31 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 135: Mr. BURTON of Indiana.
 H.R. 347: Mr. SHADEGG.
 H.R. 453: Mr. VENTO, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. FOLEY, and Mr. WEXLER.
 H.R. 586: Mr. COYNE.
 H.R. 612: Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. POSHARD, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. WISE, Mr. BAESLER, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. MOLLOHAN, Mr. HEFLEY, and Mr. COOK.
 H.R. 634: Mr. BONILLA.
 H.R. 859: Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. STUMP, Mr. TURNER, and Mr. JONES.
 H.R. 979: Mr. HEFNER, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. METCALF, and Mr. HINOJOSA.
 H.R. 1104: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts and Mr. SHERMAN.
 H.R. 1111: Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, and Mr. MOLLOHAN.
 H.R. 1114: Mr. CASTLE and Mr. COMBEST.
 H.R. 1126: Mrs. LOWEY and Mr. GORDON.
 H.R. 1215: Mr. GILMAN.
 H.R. 1231: Mr. ADAM SMITH of Washington.
 H.R. 1302: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.
 H.R. 1362: Mr. BASS.
 H.R. 1595: Mr. BALLENGER.
 H.R. 1689: Mr. TURNER, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. LOBIONDO, and Mr. HOSTETTLER.
 H.R. 1763: Mr. SHAYS.
 H.R. 1814: Mr. FOLEY.
 H.R. 1951: Mr. JACKSON, Mr. OBERSTAR, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. POSHARD, and Mr. BLAGOJEVICH.
 H.R. 2023: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.
 H.R. 2053: Mr. FATTAH.
 H.R. 2145: Mr. FARR of California, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. THORNBERRY, and Mr. WATKINS.
 H.R. 2154: Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. FROST, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. FATTAH, Mrs. THURMAN, and Mr. GEJDERSON.
 H.R. 2191: Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota.
 H.R. 2202: Mrs. MYRICK and Mr. ENGEL.
 H.R. 2228: Mrs. MALONEY of New York.
 H.R. 2250: Mrs. MYRICK and Mr. CALVERT.
 H.R. 2363: Mr. HASTINGS of Washington.

H.R. 2365: Mr. HINCHEY.

H.R. 2374: Mr. DELLUMS.

H.R. 2497: Mr. SKEEN, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. HORN, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. PEASE, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. BAKER, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. HUNTER.

H.R. 2499: Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. JACKSON, and Mr. GUTIERREZ.

H.R. 2537: Mr. DEFAZIO and Mr. GALLEGLY.
 H.R. 2556: Mr. METCALF.

H.R. 2560: Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. HOYER, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. SISISKY, and Mr. ROTHMAN.

H.R. 2604: Mr. PORTER, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. CANADY of Florida, and Mr. TALENT.

H.R. 2701: Mr. MANTON, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. NADLER, Mr. HINCHEY, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. WALSH, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. KING of New York, and Mr. MOLLOHAN.

H.R. 2713: Mr. FILNER and Mr. MCDERMOTT.

H.R. 2714: Mr. BILBRAY.

H.R. 2757: Mr. POSHARD.

H.R. 2760: Mr. HANSEN.

H.R. 2775: Mr. FATTAH, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. COYNE, Mr. KANJORSKI, and Mr. MCHALE.

H.R. 2817: Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania and Mr. BLUNT.

H.R. 2855: Mr. DEFAZIO and Mr. BORSKI.

H.R. 2868: Mr. DEFAZIO.

H.R. 2870: Mr. DOOLEY of California.

H.R. 2874: Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 2884: Mr. PETRI and Mr. GOODLATTE.

H.R. 2908: Mr. WALSH, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. ORTIZ, and Mr. HILL.

H.R. 2912: Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma.

H.R. 2914: Mr. SKELTON.

H.R. 2923: Mr. FROST, Mr. MOLLOHAN, and Mr. CUNNINGHAM.

H.R. 2936: Mr. ADERHOLT.

H.R. 2939: Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. COBLE, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. FOLEY, and Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 2973: Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, and Mr. SESSIONS.

H.R. 2983: Mr. EVANS, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 3001: Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. FILNER, and Ms. FURSE.

H.R. 3033: Mr. FROST, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CLAY, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. STOKES, Ms. CARSON, Mr. RUSH, Mr. CUMMINGS, and Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts.

H.R. 3086: Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts and Mr. RAHALL.

H.R. 3101: Mr. FROST and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 3102: Mr. MATSUI, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. KLUG, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. FROST, and Mr. PAUL.

H.R. 3110: Mrs. MYRICK and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 3120: Mr. KOLBE, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. COOK, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. MCKEON, and Mr. PACKARD.

H.R. 3126: Mr. BORSKI.

H.R. 3133: Mr. METCALF.

H. Con. Res. 106: Mr. WEXLER.

H. Con. Res. 202: Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. BUYER, and Mr. CANNON.

H. Res. 267: Mr. SOUDER, Mr. PETRI, Mr. MCINTOSH, and Mr. FAWELL.

¶5.32 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.R. 2021: Mr. LIPINSKI.

H. Con. Res. 182: Mr. DAVIS of Virginia.

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¶6.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
February 11, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable FRED UPTON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

¶6.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. UPTON, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, February 5, 1998.

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

¶6.3 COMMUNICATIONS

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

7033. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Domestically Produced Peanuts Handled by Persons Not Subject to Peanut Marketing Agreement No. 146; Marketing Agreement No. 146 Regulating the Quality of Domestically Produced Peanuts [Docket No. FV97-998-3 FIR] received January 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7034. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Melons Grown in South Texas; Decreased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV98-979-1 IFR] received February 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7035. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Raisins Produced From Grapes Grown in California; Modifications to the Raisin Diversion Program [Docket No. FV97-989-3 FIR] received February 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7036. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Imported Fire Ant Quarantined Areas [Docket No. 97-101-1] received January 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7037. A letter from the Under Secretary for Rural Development, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Intermediary Relending Program (RIN: 0570-AA15) received January 9, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7038. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Terbacil; Extension of Tolerance for Emergency Exemptions [OPP-300611; FRL-5768-1] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received January 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7039. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Oxyfluorfen; Extension of Tolerance for Emergency Exemptions [OPP-300610; FRL-5767-9] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received January 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7040. A letter from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Loan Policies and Operations; Title IV Conservators, Receivers, and Voluntary Liquidation (RIN: 3052-AB09) received January 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7041. A letter from the Administrator, Rural Housing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Electric System Operations and Maintenance (RIN: 0572-AA74) received February 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7042. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting his requests for FY 1998 supplemental appropriations for the Department of State and the International Monetary Fund, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1107; (H. Doc. No. 105-213); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

7043. A letter from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Department of the Air Force, transmitting notification that the Commander of Air Force Space Command is initiating a cost comparison of libraries at F.E. Warren Air Force Base, Wyoming, Patrick AFB, Florida, Peterson AFB, Colorado, Malmstrom AFB, Montana, and Vandenberg AFB, California, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 nt.; to the Committee on National Security.

7044. A letter from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Department of the Air Force, transmitting notification that the Commander of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, has conducted a cost comparison to reduce the cost of certain operating logistics functions, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 nt.; to the Committee on National Security.

7045. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Installations and Environment, Department of the Navy, transmitting notification of the decision to study certain functions performed by military and civilian personnel in the Department of the Navy for possible performance by private contractors, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 nt.; to the Committee on National Security.

7046. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Installations and Environment, Department of the Navy, transmitting notification of the decision to convert to contractor performance the operation of Family Services Center at Naval Base San Diego, San Diego, CA, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 nt.; to the Committee on National Security.

7047. A letter from the Under Secretary (Acquisition and Technology), Department of Defense, transmitting the report to Congress for Department of Defense purchases from foreign entities in fiscal year 1997, pursuant to Public Law 104-201, section 827 (110 Stat. 2611); to the Committee on National Security.

7048. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on the feasibility of using private-sector sources for air transportation of military personnel and cargo, pursuant to Public Law 104-106, section 365(a) (110 Stat. 275); to the Committee on National Security.

7049. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the 1998 Department of Defense Annual Report to the President and

the Congress, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 113 (c) and (e); to the Committee on National Security.

7050. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the Department's report on Payment of Restructuring Costs Under Defense Contracts for FY 1997, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2324 nt.; to the Committee on National Security.

7051. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule—Exports of High Performance Computers under License Exception CTP [Docket No. 980113010-8010-01] (RIN: 0694-AB65) received January 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

7052. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Waiver of Domestic Source Restrictions [DFARS Case 97-D321] received January 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

7053. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Warranties in Weapon System Acquisitions [DFARS Case 97-D326] received January 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

7054. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Reserve Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter stating that the report on Reserve retirement initiatives will be submitted on or about April 30, 1998, pursuant to Public Law 104-201, section 531; to the Committee on National Security.

7055. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Reserve Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter stating that the report on Reserve retirement initiatives will be submitted on or about January 30, 1998, pursuant to Public Law 104-201, section 531; to the Committee on National Security.

7056. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter stating that the report regarding funds expended for performance of depot-level maintenance and repair by the public and private sectors is being prepared and will be forwarded shortly, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2466(e); to the Committee on National Security.

7057. A letter from the Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting the biennial report on compliance by insured depository institutions with the National Flood Insurance Program for the period September 1, 1995 through August 31, 1997, pursuant to Public Law 103-325, section 529(a) (108 Stat. 2266); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

7058. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendments to Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act Regulation (Regulation X)—Escrow Accounting Procedures [Docket No. FR-4079-F-02] (RIN: 2502-AG75) received January 23, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

7059. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Single Family Property Disposition Officer Next Door Sales Program [Docket No. FR-4277-N-01] received January 20, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

7060. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Electronic Payment of Multifamily Insurance Premiums [Docket No. FR-4203-F-