

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

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶25.22 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3310

Mr. GOSS, by direction of the Committee on Rules, reported (Rept. No. 105-466) the resolution (H. Res. 396) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3310) to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small businesses with certain Federal paperwork requirements, and to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small businesses.

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

¶25.23 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted—

To Mr. EHRLICH, for today after 2:15 p.m.;

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

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

To Mr. KLECZKA, for today;

To Ms. JACKSON-LEE, for today and balance of the week;

To Ms. Eddie Bernice JOHNSON, for today and balance of the week;

To Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, for today and balance of the week;

To Mr. ROTHMAN, for today;

To Mr. SAXTON, for today after 3:30 p.m.;

To Mr. WYNN, for today through March 30; and

To Mr. YATES, for today after 3:30 p.m.

And then,

¶25.24 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. PAPPAS, pursuant to the provisions of House Resolution 395, at 10 o'clock and 48 minutes p.m., the House adjourned out of respect for the late Honorable STEVEN SCHIFF until 10 o'clock a.m., Thursday, March 26, 1998.

¶25.25 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. DREIER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 393. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3246) to assist small businesses and labor organizations in defending themselves against government bureaucracy; to ensure that employees entitled to reinstatement get their jobs back quickly; to protect the right of employers to have a hearing to present their case in certain representation cases; and to prevent the use of the National Labor Relations Act for the purpose of disrupting or inflicting economic harm on employers (Rept. No. 105-463). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 394. Resolution

providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2515) to address the declining health of forests on Federal lands in the United States through a program of recovery and protection consistent with the requirements of existing public land management and environmental laws, to establish a program to inventory, monitor, and analyze public and private forests and their resources, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-464). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. HYDE: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 1023. A bill to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 105-465 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. MCINNIS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 396. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3310) to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small businesses with certain Federal paperwork requirements, and to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small businesses (Rept. No. 105-466). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 2400. A bill to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 105-467 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

¶25.26 TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 1023. Referral to the Committees on Commerce and Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than June 2, 1998.

H.R. 2400. Referral to the Committee on the Budget extended for a period ending not later than March 27, 1998.

¶25.27 REPORTED BILLS SEQUENTIALLY REFERRED

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speaker:

Under clause 5 of rule X,

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 2400. A bill to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes, with an amendment; referred to the Committee on Ways and Means for a period ending not later than March 27, 1998, for consideration of such provisions of the bill and amendment reported by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(s), rule X.

¶25.28 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. BORSKI:

H.R. 3545. A bill to amend section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 to ensure that the tenant-based rental assistance program under such section is carried out in an efficient and fair manner; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. ARCHER (for himself, Mr. KASICH, and Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky):

H.R. 3546. A bill to provide for a national dialogue on Social Security and to establish the Bipartisan Panel to Design Long-Range Social Security Reform; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WELDON of Florida (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. COBURN, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. COOKSEY, and Mr. GREEN):

H.R. 3547. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to assure patient choice and access to services for enrollees in group health plans and health insurance coverage; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on 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. ANDREWS:

H.R. 3548. A bill to establish a Fund for Environmental Priorities to be funded by a portion of the consumer savings resulting from retail electricity choice, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. COLLINS:

H.R. 3549. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the taxes on diesel fuel and gasoline used in trains which were enacted for deficit reduction; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GEPHARDT (for himself, Mr. BOSWELL, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. EVANS, Mr. MINGE, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. POSHARD, and Ms. STABENOW):

H.R. 3550. A bill to provide a safety net for farmers and consumers, to promote the development of farmer-owned value added processing facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Ms. DELAURO:

H.R. 3551. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. DREIER:

H.R. 3552. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the carryover of unused nontaxable benefits under cafeteria plans and flexible spending arrangements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GUTIERREZ (for himself, Mr. BECERRA, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. WATERS, Ms. SANCHEZ, and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD):

H.R. 3553. A bill to amend the Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act to provide to nationals of El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Haiti an opportunity to apply for adjustment of status under that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MCNULTY:

H.R. 3554. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow rollover contributions to individual retirement plans from deferred compensation plans maintained by States and local governments and to allow State and local governments to maintain 401(k) plans; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MORAN of Virginia (for himself, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. WYNN, Ms.

LOFGREN, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. LAMPSON, and Mrs. LOWEY):

H.R. 3555. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to conduct an assessment of available technologies for establishing a system to access information regarding the motor vehicle driving records of all motor vehicle operators in the United States; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SHAYS:

H.R. 3556. A bill to reduce Federal spending in several programs; to the Committee on National Security, and in addition to the Committees on International Relations, Science, Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, Resources, Education and the Workforce, Veterans' Affairs, 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. SMITH of Oregon (for himself, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. HASTINGS of Washington):

H.R. 3557. A bill to subject the United States to payment of fees and costs in proceedings relating to State water rights adjudications; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DINGELL (for himself, Mr. UPTON, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. LAFALCE, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. MCDADE, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. LANTOS, and Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA):

H. Con. Res. 250. Concurrent resolution calling for better awareness and use of federally-supported research findings on the social and economic costs of sleep deprivation and sleep disorders; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. SKEEN:

H. Res. 395. A resolution expressing the condolences of the House on the death of the Honorable Steven Schiff, a Representative from the State of New Mexico; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HAYWORTH (for himself, Mr. ARCHER, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. STUMP, Mr. JONES, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. MCCREERY, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. RYUN, Mr. NEUMANN, Mr. DELAY, Mr. COBLE, Mr. ROGERS, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. TALENT, and Mr. SMITH of Michigan):

H. Res. 397. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives concerning the President's use of the White House Counsel's Office in matters relating to his personal legal battles; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

¶25.29 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 59: Mr. JENKINS.
 H.R. 453: Mr. MCGOVERN.
 H.R. 611: Ms. STABENOW.
 H.R. 693: Mr. GOODLING.
 H.R. 754: Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania.
 H.R. 900: Mr. BAESLER, Ms. SANCHEZ, and Mr. BLAGOJEVICH.
 H.R. 980: Mr. BEREUTER.
 H.R. 1063: Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts and Mr. TURNER.
 H.R. 1126: Mr. MURTHA and Mr. BLUNT.
 H.R. 1151: Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. SPRATT, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. CLYBURN, and Mr. WELLER.
 H.R. 1283: Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr.

SKELTON, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. FORBES, Mr. HOEKSTRA, and Mr. SKEEN.

H.R. 1285: Mr. HEFLEY.
 H.R. 1371: Mr. THUNE.
 H.R. 1375: Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon and Mr. BLUMENAUER.
 H.R. 1376: Mr. RANGEL.
 H.R. 1401: Mr. SHAYS.
 H.R. 1689: Mr. WALSH and Mr. BENTSEN.
 H.R. 1712: Mr. CUNNINGHAM.
 H.R. 1766: Mr. COLLINS, Mr. CRANE, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Ms. SANCHEZ, and Mr. SANDERS.
 H.R. 1807: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.
 H.R. 2052: Mr. RANGEL.
 H.R. 2198: Mr. BOB SCHAFFER.
 H.R. 2202: Mr. DIXON, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, and Mr. BURR of North Carolina.
 H.R. 2253: Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. ADAM SMITH of Washington, and Mr. MARTINEZ.
 H.R. 2351: Mr. CUMMINGS.
 H.R. 2380: Mr. BACHUS.
 H.R. 2409: Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. WATKINS, and Mr. MATSUI.
 H.R. 2488: Mr. SANDLIN.
 H.R. 2526: Mr. FOLEY.
 H.R. 2560: Ms. SANCHEZ, Mrs. NORTHUP, and Mrs. TAUSCHER.
 H.R. 2567: Mr. TALENT.
 H.R. 2568: Mr. BRYANT and Mr. CHRISTENSEN.
 H.R. 2598: Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. PEASE, and Mr. COOKSEY.
 H.R. 2695: Mr. HINOJOSA and Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN.
 H.R. 2936: Mr. MORAN of Kansas.
 H.R. 2951: Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.
 H.R. 2968: Mr. PAUL, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. METCALF, Mr. LATOURETTE, and Mr. BARTON of Texas.
 H.R. 2973: Mr. HANSEN and Mr. HOUGHTON.
 H.R. 2990: Mr. WATKINS, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. COOK, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. CANNON, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. BLILEY, and Mrs. THURMAN.
 H.R. 2994: Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. THOMPSON, and Mr. DOYLE.
 H.R. 3007: Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut and Mr. BARCIA of Michigan.
 H.R. 3048: Mrs. MORELLA.
 H.R. 3050: Ms. SLAUGHTER.
 H.R. 3054: Mr. MANTON, Mr. ENGEL, and Mr. WYNN.
 H.R. 3065: Mr. DOOLEY of California.
 H.R. 3068: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, and Ms. SANCHEZ.
 H.R. 3107: Ms. WOOLSEY.
 H.R. 3110: Mr. CALVERT, Mr. UPTON, and Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut.
 H.R. 3125: Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. FROST, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FILNER, Mr. WEXLER, and Ms. SLAUGHTER.
 H.R. 3149: Mr. BOB SCHAFFER.
 H.R. 3151: Mr. BOB SCHAFFER.
 H.R. 3156: Ms. PELOSI, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. OLVER, Mr. MARTINEZ, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. TORRES, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. SKAGGS, Mr. KOLBE, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. FAWELL, and Mr. POMEROY.
 H.R. 3178: Mr. LIPINSKI and Mr. MEEKS of New York.
 H.R. 3181: Mr. CONYERS and Mr. SCHUMER.
 H.R. 3206: Mr. BARR of Georgia.

H.R. 3248: Mr. FORBES, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. SHIMKUS, and Mr. RIGGS.

H.R. 3279: Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. KILDEE, and Mrs. KELLY.

H.R. 3284: Mr. GREEN and Mr. KIND of Wisconsin.

H.R. 3438: Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey.
 H.R. 3454: Mrs. MYRICK and Ms. RIVERS.

H.R. 3470: Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, and Ms. SANCHEZ.

H.R. 3471: Mr. KLECZKA.

H.R. 3475: Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. FOLEY, and Ms. DUNN of Washington.

H.R. 3502: Mr. BILIRAKIS.
 H.R. 3522: Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, and Mr. WEYGAND.

H.R. 3526: Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. UNDERWOOD, and Mr. BALDACCI.

H.R. 3534: Mr. GINGRICH.
 H.J. Res. 113: Mr. LEACH.

H. Con. Res. 127: Mr. COSTELLO and Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut.

H. Con. Res. 159: Mrs. THURMAN and Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut.

H. Con. Res. 203: Ms. SLAUGHTER and Mr. NETHERCUTT.

H. Con. Res. 210: Mr. MORAN of Virginia and Mr. WHITFIELD.

H. Con. Res. 214: Mr. TANNER and Mr. BRYANT.

H. Con. Res. 218: Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mr. GILMAN, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

H. Con. Res. 225: Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. CARSON, Mr. LANTOS, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. FROST, and Mr. MCGOVERN.

H. Con. Res. 233: Mr. MANTON.
 H. Con. Res. 246: Ms. KAPTUR.

H. Res. 182: Mr. LAZIO of New York.
 H. Res. 313: Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York and Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA.

H. Res. 363: Mr. GREENWOOD and Mr. MCGOVERN.

H. Res. 392: Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. CAMPBELL, and Mr. SANFORD.

¶25.30 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. 2500: Mr. FATTAH.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 1998 (26)

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

¶26.1 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, March 25, 1998.

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

¶26.2 COMMUNICATIONS

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

8235. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule— Specialty Crops; Import Regulations; Extension of Reporting Period for Peanuts Imported Under 1997 Import Quotas [Docket No. FV97-999-1 FIR] received March 24, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.