H. Res. 37: Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. BEREUTER, and Mr. MEEKS of New York.
H. Res. 333: Mr. ROTHMAN.
H. Res. 404: Mr. ACKERMAN.

¶36.24 DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsor was deleted from the public bill as follows:

H.R. 3605: Mr. BASS and Mr. GILCHREST.

THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 1998 (37)

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

¶37.1 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, April 29, 1998.

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

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House agree to the Chair's approval of said Journal?

The SPEAKER announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. Bob SCHAFFER of Colorado, objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

The SPEAKER pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that the vote would be postponed until later today.

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

¶37.2 COMMUNICATIONS

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

8831. A letter from the Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on the Commercial Operations and Support Savings Initiative (COSSI), pursuant to Public Law 105—85; to the Committee on National Security.

8832. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Affordable Housing Disposition Program covering the period from July 1, 1997 through December 31, 1997, pursuant to Public Law 102—233, section 616 (105 Stat. 1787); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

8833. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's annual report on international terrorism entitled ''Patterns of Global Terrorism: 1997,'' pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2656f; to the Committee on International Relations.

8834. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification that the Republic of Armenia, the Azerbaijani Republic, the Republic of Georgia, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and the Republic of Uzbekistan are committed to the courses of action described in Section 1203(d) of the Cooperative Threat Reduction Act of 1993, Section 1412(d) of the Former Soviet Union Demilitarization Act of 1992, and Section 502 of the FREEDOM Support Act; to the Committee on International Relations.

8835. A letter from the Director, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting a report detailing the previous 10-year period the catches and exports to the United States of highly migratory species from Nations fishing on Atlantic stocks of such species that are subject to management by the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, pursuant to Public Law 94—70, 16 U.S.C. 971; to the Committee on Resources.

8836. A letter from the the Board of Trustees, Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund, transmitting the 1998 Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 401(c)(2), 1395i(b)(2), and 1395t(b)(2); (H. Doc. No. 105—245); to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

8837. A letter from the the Board of Trustees, Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance and Disability Insurance Trust Funds, transmitting the 1998 Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Funds, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 401(c)(2), 1395i(b)(2), and 1395t(b)(2); (H. Doc. No. 105—243); to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

8838. A letter from the the Board of Trustees, Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund, transmitting the 1998 Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 401(c)(2), 1395i(b)(2), and 1395t(b)(2); (H. Doc. No. 105—244); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce, and ordered to be printed.

¶37.3 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment a concurrent resolution of the House of the following title:

H.J. Res. 102. Joint resolution expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel and reaffirming the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the United States and Israel.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2646. An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 2646) ''An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, and for other purposes,'' requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. ROTH, Mr. MACK, Mr. COATS, Mr. GORTON, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. BINGAMAN, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 4355(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the United States Military Academy:

The Senator from Indiana (Mr. COATS), from the Committee on Armed Services, and the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON), from the Committee on Appropriations.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 4355(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), At Large, to the Board of Visitors of the United States Military Academy.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 6968(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the United States Naval Academy:

The Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN), from the Committee on Armed Services, and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN), from the Committee on Appropriations.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 6968(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the United States Naval Academy:

The Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), from the Committee on Appropriations, and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES), At Large.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 9355(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the United States Air Force Academy:

The Senator from Idaho (Mr. KEMPTHORNE), from the Committee on Armed Services, and the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS), from the Committee on Appropriations.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 9355(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the United States Air Force Academy:

The Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS), from the Committee on Appropriations, and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND), At Large.

¶37.4 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF S. 1502

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 413):

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (S. 1502) entitled the ''District of Columbia Student Opportunity Scholarship Act of 1997''. 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) two hours of debate on the bill equally divided and con-