suant 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. 3616) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed two hours equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on National Security. After general debate the Committee of the Whole shall rise without motion. No further consideration of the bill shall be in order except pursuant to subsequent order of the House.

When said resolution was considered.

On motion of Mr. MCINNIS, 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.

¶47.43 DOD AUTHORIZATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. HEFLEY, pursuant to House Resolution 435 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. 3616) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. HEFLEY, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. CAMP as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole.

The Acting Chairman, Mr. PEASE assumed the Chair; and after some time spent therein,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. PEASE, Acting Chairman, reported that the Committee, having had under consideration said bill, had come to no resolution thereon.

¶47.44 PROVIDING FOR THE FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3616

Mr. SOLOMON, by direction of the Committee on Rules, reported (Rept. No. 105–544) the resolution (H. Res. 441) providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3616) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes.

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

¶47.45 SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1723. An Act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to assist the United States to remain competitive by increasing the access of United States firms and institutions of higher education to skilled personnel and by expanding educational and training opportunities for American students and workers; to the committee on the judiciary, and in addition, to the Committee(s) on Education and the Workforce, and the Committee on International Relations, 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.

¶47.46 ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 3565. An Act to amend Part L of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968.

¶47.47 SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 1605. An Act to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement departments.

¶47.48 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted—

To Mr. CRANE, for today;

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

To Mr. MEEKS of New York, for today and balance of the week;

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

To Mr. MCNULTY, for today.

And then,

¶47.49 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. MORAN of Kansas, at 11 o'clock and 19 minutes p.m., the House adjourned.

¶47.50 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 2863. A bill to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to clarify restrictions under that Act on baiting, to facilitate acquisition of migratory bird habitat, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 105–542). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. CANADY: Committee on the Judiciary. House Joint Resolution 78. Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States restoring religious freedom; with an amendment (Rept. No. 105–543). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SOLOMON: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 441. Resolution providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3616) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105–544). Referred to the House Calendar.

¶47.51 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. GILMAN (for himself and Mr. PAYNE):

H.R. 3890. A bill to promote democracy and good governance in Nigeria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committees on Banking and Financial Services, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. GOODLATTE:

H.R. 3891. A bill to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to prohibit the unauthorized destruction, modification, or alteration of product identification codes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RIGGS:

H.R. 3892. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a program to help children and youth learn English, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ENSIGN (for himself and Mr. GIBBONS):

H.R. 3893. A bill to amend the Crime Control Act of 1990 with respect to the work requirement for Federal prisoners and to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to the use of Federal prison labor by nonprofit entities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HALL of Ohio (for himself, Mr. BOEHLERT, and Mr. HOBSON):

H.R. 3894. A bill to reinvigorate science and technology functions of the Department of the Air Force; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut:

H.R. 3895. A bill to provide grants to improve firearms safety, and to provide for the study of the effects of developing firearms technology on firearms safety; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. OWENS (for himself, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. FORD, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. HINOJOSA, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. NORTON, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. PAYNE):

H.R. 3896. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make grants to institutions of higher education for postsecondary information technology education and employment assistance projects; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. RUSH (for himself, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. CLAY, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. FURSE, Mr. FROST, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. STOKES, and Mr. DAVIS of Illinois):

H.R. 3897. A bill to provide for programs to develop and implement integrated cockroach management programs in urban communities that are effective in reducing health risks to inner city residents, especially children, suffering from asthma and asthma-related illnesses; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. REDMOND, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. COOK, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. DELAY, Mr. COOKSEY, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. RYUN, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr.

SAXTON, Mr. GOSS, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mr. BOB SCHAFFER, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BRADY, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. MICA, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MCCOLLUM, and Mr. BAKER):

H.R. 3898. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act and the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act to conform penalties for violations involving certain amounts of methamphetamine to penalties for violations involving similar amounts cocaine base; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. LAZIO of New York (for himself, Mr. LEACH, Mr. BAKER, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. NEY, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mr. REDMOND, Mr. RYUN, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. NUSSLE, and Mr. METCALF):

H.R. 3899. A bill to expand homeownership in the United States; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. SHAYS (for himself and Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin):

H.R. 3900. A bill to establish Federal penalties for prohibited uses and disclosures of individually identifiable health information, to establish a right in an individual to inspect and copy their own health information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, 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 Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mrs. MORELLA):

H.R. 3901. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to reauthorize funding for the grant program to encourage arrest policies in dealing with domestic violence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mrs. MORELLA):

H.R. 3902. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to reauthorize funding for court-appointed special advocates for victims of child abuse, training programs on child abuse for judicial personnel and attorneys, and closed-circuit television and video taping of child victim testimony; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 3903. A bill to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska (for himself, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BRADY, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. Dan SCHAEFER of Colorado, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. TALENT, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. RYUN, Mr. GOSS, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. HERGER, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. RIGGS, and Mr. DAVIS of Illinois):

H. Con. Res. 278. Concurrent resolution stating the sense of Congress that any national missile defense program to provide protection for the United States against the threat of ballistic missile attack should provide for the protection of Alaska, Hawaii, and the territories and commonwealths of the United States on the same basis as the contiguous States; to the Committee on National Security.

¶47.52 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 7: Mr. SHAW.
H.R. 135: Ms. LEE and Mr. KANJORSKI.
H.R. 676: Mr. BOEHLERT.
H.R. 678: Mr. GEKAS, Mr. QUINN, and Mr. ALLEN.
H.R. 754: Mr. BOSWELL and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
H.R. 815: Mr. TAUZIN.
H.R. 902: Ms. PRYCE of Ohio.
H.R. 953: Mrs. THURMAN and Mr. BERMAN.
H.R. 1054: Mr. EHLERS, Mr. SOLOMON, and Mr. FOSSELLA.
H.R. 1126: Mr. CRAMER, Mr. WALSH, Mr. DEUTSCH, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. JEFFERSON, and Mr. BATEMAN.
H.R. 1378: Mr. SUNUNU.
H.R. 1382: Mr. PAUL, Mr. WAXMAN, and Ms. STABENOW.
H.R. 1401: Mr. LEVIN.
H.R. 1425: Ms. DEGETTE.
H.R. 1548: Mr. PAUL.
H.R. 1560: Mr. SHIMKUS and Mr. BURR of North Carolina.
H.R. 1766: Mr. BENTSEN and Mr. PACKARD.
H.R. 1842: Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina.
H.R. 1884: Mr. PAUL.
H.R. 1951: Mr. GREENWOOD and Ms. LEE.
H.R. 2004: Mr. STRICKLAND.
H.R. 2023: Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.
H.R. 2124: Mr. NEUMANN.
H.R. 2290: Mr. SANDLIN.
H.R. 2352: Mr. BRYANT.
H.R. 2478: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.
H.R. 2504: Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania and Mrs. MEEK of Florida.
H.R. 2519: Mr. LAMPSON.
H.R. 2538: Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. RADANOVICH, and Mr. GILCHREST.
H.R. 2613: Mr. PASTOR, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. OLVER, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. WISE, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. PAUL, Ms. DANNER, Mr. HALL of Texas, and Mr. POSHARD.
H.R. 2721: Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky.
H.R. 2863: Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. MANZULLO, and Mr. MCINNIS.
H.R. 2879: Mr. MCKEON and Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina.
H.R. 2888: Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.
H.R. 2923: Mr. MANTON.
H.R. 2946: Ms. PELOSI.
H.R. 3032: Mr. ANDREWS and Mr. SMITH of Texas.
H.R. 3048: Mrs. THURMAN.
H.R. 3050: Mr. SKELTON and Mr. BROWN of California.
H.R. 3131: Mr. LANTOS and Mr. UNDERWOOD.
H.R. 3181: Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO.
H.R. 3217: Mr. CRANE, Mrs. THURMAN, and Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.
H.R. 3234: Mr. NORWOOD.
H.R. 3242: Mr. PAUL.
H.R. 3304: Mrs. EMERSON.
H.R. 3341: Mr. FILNER and Mr. UNDERWOOD.
H.R. 3342: Mr. ALLEN and Mr. MCGOVERN.
H.R. 3398: Mr. FROST.
H.R. 3400: Mr. BALDACCI.
H.R. 3464: Mr. FROST.
H.R. 3470: Ms. KAPTUR.
H.R. 3514: Mr. THOMPSON.
H.R. 3526: Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. MILLER of California, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.
H.R. 3550: Mr. ETHERIDGE and Ms. KILPATRICK.
H.R. 3566: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.
H.R. 3567: Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. KLUG, Mr. EHLERS, and Mr. KNOLLENBERG.
H.R. 3570: Mr. ACKERMAN.
H.R. 3605: Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. MCHALE, and Ms. SLAUGHTER.
H.R. 3615: Mr. THOMPSON and Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri.
H.R. 3629: Mr. LARGENT.
H.R. 3636: Ms. JACKSON-LEE and Mr. BONIOR.
H.R. 3644: Mr. CAMP.
H.R. 3648: Mr. HYDE, Mr. CRANE, Mr. SNYDER, and Mr. BEREUTER.
H.R. 3651: Mr. FORBES and Mr. FROST.
H.R. 3674: Mr. VISCLOSKY.
H.R. 3688: Mr. LARGENT, Mr. SKEEN, and Mr. MORAN of Kansas.
H.R. 3735: Mr. ADERHOLT.
H.R. 3764: Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. PORTER, and Mr. HYDE.
H.R. 3802: Mr. BROWN of Ohio.
H.R. 3833: Ms. DELAURO.
H.R. 3849: Mr. EHLERS, Mr. SOLOMON, and Mr. FOSSELLA.
H.R. 3877: Mr. BISHOP.
H.R. 3879: Mr. JOHN, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. REDMOND, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. GOODE, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. MCKEON, and Mr. BONILLA.
H. Con. Res. 126: Ms. NORTON and Mr. ROTHMAN.
H. Con. Res. 203: Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. OLVER, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. COOK, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. PASTOR, and Mrs. CLAYTON.
H. Con. Res. 208: Mr. LAMPSON, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. EVANS, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. BRADY, Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. PAXON, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. GORDON, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. HINCHEY, and Mr. MCINTYRE.
H. Con. Res. 233: Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.
H. Con. Res. 258: Mr. PITTS, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. MANTON, Ms. FURSE, and Mr. BLUMENAUER.
H. Con. Res. 267: Mr. ROGAN.
H. Res. 363: Mr. SANDLIN.
H. Res. 404: Mrs. MINK of Hawaii.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 1998 (48)

¶48.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
May 20, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable E. CLAY SHAW, Jr. to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

¶48.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SHAW, announced he had examined