

office's final rule—Federal Employees Retirement System—Open Enrollment Act Implementation (RIN: 3206-AG96) received June 23, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9872. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule—Retention Allowances (RIN: 3206-A131) received June 23, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9873. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Commercial Cod Harvest [Docket No. 980318066-8066-01; I.D. 061198B] received June 23, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9874. A letter from the Director, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Executive Office for Immigration Reviews; Motion to Reopen: Suspension of Deportation and Cancellation of Removal [EOIR No. 121P; AG Order No. 2162-98] received June 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9875. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule—Documentation of Nonimmigrants Under The Immigration And Nationality Act, As Amended—Place Of Application [Public Notice 2800] received June 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9876. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—NASA FAR Supplement; Miscellaneous Changes [48 CFR Parts 1804, 1806, 1807, 1809, 1822, 1833, 1842, 1852, 1871, and 1872] received June 11, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

9877. A letter from the Director, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—NOAA Climate and Global Change Program, Program Announcement [Docket No. 980413092-8092-01] (RIN: 0648-ZA39) received June 10, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

9878. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Surety BOND Guarantees; Pilot Preferred Surety BOND Guarantee Program [13 CFR Part 115] received June 17, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Small Business.

9879. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Business Loan Program [13 CFR Part 120] received June 17, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Small Business.

9880. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Board of Veterans' Appeals: Rules of Practice—Continuation of Representation Following Death of a Claimant or Apellant (RIN: 2900-A187) received June 17, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

9881. A letter from the the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, the Department of State, transmitting Presidential Determination 98-28, stating that the further extension of the waiver authority granted by section 402 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, will substantially promote the ob-

jectives of section 402 of the Act, and has further determined that continuation of the waiver applicable to the Republic of Belarus will substantially promote the objectives of section 402 of the Act; (H. Doc. No. 105-278); to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

¶65.3 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 2202. An Act to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the bone marrow donor program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2864. An Act to require the Secretary of Labor to establish a program under which employers may consult with State officials respecting compliance with occupational safety and health requirements.

H.R. 2877. An Act to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

H.R. 3035. An Act to establish an advisory commission to provide advice and recommendations on the creation of an integrated, coordinated Federal policy designed to prepare for and respond to serious drought emergencies.

¶65.4 PROVIDING FOR THE

CONSIDERATION OF H. CON. RES. 297

Mr. DIAZ-BALART, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 491):

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order, any rule of the House to the contrary notwithstanding, to consider a concurrent resolution providing for adjournment of the House and Senate for the Independence Day district work period.

When said resolution was considered. After debate,

On motion of Mr. DIAZ-BALART, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection.

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.

Mrs. SLAUGHTER objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

The SPEAKER *pro tempore*, Mrs. EMERSON, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that further proceedings on the resolution were postponed.

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

¶65.5 WAIVING POINTS OF ORDER

AGAINST THE CONFERENCE REPORT TO ACCOMPANY H.R. 2676

Mr. DREIER, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 490):

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2676) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, and for other purposes. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read.

When said resolution was considered.

After debate,

On motion of Mr. DREIER, 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.

¶65.6 PROVIDING FOR THE

CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4104

Mr. MCINNIS, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 485):

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. 4104) making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. Points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI or clause 7 of rule XXI are waived. 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 Appropriations. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The amendments printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. Points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 or 6 of rule XXI are waived except as follows: page 104, line 14, through page 106, line 12. The amendments printed in part 2 of the report of the Committee on Rules may be offered only by a Member designated in the report and only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against the amendments printed in the report are waived. During consideration of the bill for further 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 15 minutes. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill, as amended, to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion ex-