

H.J. Res. 2. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to the number of terms of office of Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ARMEY:

H. Con. Res. 1. Concurrent resolution providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President; considered and agreed to.

H. Con. Res. 2. Concurrent resolution providing for adjournment of the House; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma:

H. Res. 1. Resolution electing officers of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ARMEY:

H. Res. 2. Resolution to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House has assembled and of the election of the Speaker and the Clerk; considered and agreed to.

H. Res. 3. Resolution authorizing the Speaker to appoint a committee to notify the President of the assembly of the Congress; considered and agreed to.

H. Res. 4. Resolution authorizing the Clerk to inform the President of the election of the Speaker and the Clerk; considered and agreed to.

H. Res. 5. Resolution adopting rules for the One Hundred Sixth Congress in recodified form; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma:

H. Res. 6. Resolution electing Members to serve on standing committees; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FROST:

H. Res. 7. Resolution electing Members, Delegates, and the Resident Commissioner to serve on standing committees; considered and agreed to.

H. Res. 8. Resolution electing a Member to serve on standing committees; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HANSEN (for himself, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. DELAY, and Mr. BONIOR):

H. Res. 9. Resolution amending clause 5 of rule XXVI; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HYDE:

H. Res. 10. Resolution appointing the authorizing managers for the impeachment trial of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

H. Res. 11. Resolution providing for the designation of certain minority employees; considered and agreed to.

H. Res. 12. Resolution authorizing the Speaker to administer the oath of office; considered and agreed to.

H. Res. 13. Resolution authorizing the Speaker to administer the oath of office; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. DREIER:

H. Res. 14. Resolution fixing the daily hour of meeting of the First Session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress; considered and agreed to.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1999 (2)

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

¶2.1 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, January 6, 1999.

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

¶2.3 COMMUNICATIONS

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

26. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Veterinary Services User Fees; Embryo Collection Center Approval Fee [Docket No. 98-005-2] received December 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

27. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Tart Cherries Grown in the States of Michigan, et al.; Final Free and Restricted Percentages for the 1998-99 Crop Year for Tart Cherries [Docket No. FV98-930-1 FR] received January 12, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

28. A letter from the Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—General Administrative Regulations; Interpretations of Statutory and Regulatory Provisions—received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

29. A letter from the Deputy Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Small Business Timber Sale Set-aside Program; Appeal Procedures On Recomputation Of Shares—received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

30. A letter from the Administrator, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Disaster Set-Aside Program—Second Installment Set-Aside (RIN: 0560-AF65) received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

31. A letter from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Organization and Operations of Federal Credit Unions—received December 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

32. A letter from the Secretary of Education, transmitting the annual report of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity for fiscal year 1998, pursuant to Public Law 102-325, section 1203 (106 Stat. 794); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

33. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision; Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District [CA 207-0106a; FRL 6211-1] received December 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

34. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision Antelope Valley Air Pollution Control District [CA-207-0088; FRL; 6211-2] received December 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

35. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—1998 Reporting Notice and Amendment; Partial Updating of

TSCA Inventory Data Base, Production and Site Reports [OPPTS-82052; FRL-6052-7] received December 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

36. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Kentucky; Approval of Revisions to Basic Motor Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program [KY98-9808a; FRL-6199-1] received December 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

37. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, Antelope Valley Air Pollution Control District [CA 211-0116a; FRL-6214-1] received December 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

38. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plan Louisiana; Nonattainment Major Stationary Source Revision [LA40-1-7338a; FRL-6207-8] received December 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

39. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) or Superfund, Section 104 [FRL-6220-7] received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

40. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, Ventura County Air Pollution Control District [CA 095-0107; FRL-6213-9] received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

41. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Illinois [IL161-1a; FRL-6216-4] received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

42. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plan; Illinois [IL176-1a; FRL-6215-3] received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

43. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District [CA 207-0121; FRL-6214-5] received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

44. A letter from the AMD-Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Implementation of Section 25 of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992 [MM Docket 93-25] received December 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

45. A letter from the AMD-Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—1998 Biennial Regulatory Review—Amendment of Parts 73 and 74 Relating to Call Sign Assignments for Broadcast Stations [MM Docket No. 98-98] received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

46. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Guides for the Decorative Wall Paneling Industry—received December 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

47. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

48. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of Presidential Determination No. 99-2: Determination and Certification for Fiscal Year 1999 concerning Argentina's and Brazil's termination of eligibility Under Section 102(a)(2) of the Arms Export Control Act, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2799aa-2; to the Committee on International Relations.

49. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a report to the Congress on the Strategic Concept of NATO; to the Committee on International Relations.

50. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report entitled, "Report on Withdrawal of Russian Armed Forces and Military Equipment"; to the Committee on International Relations.

51. A letter from the NARA Regulatory Policy Official, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Privacy Act Regulations (RIN: 3095-AA66) received December 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

52. A letter from the Secretary, Postal Rate Commission, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

53. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the semiannual report of the Inspector General and classified annex for the period ending September 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform.

54. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Red Snapper Bag Limit Reduction [Docket No. 981224322-8322-01; I.D. 122298A] (RIN: 0648-AK97) received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

55. A letter from the Director, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—High Seas Fishing Compliance Act; Vessel Identification and Reporting Requirements; OMB Control Numbers [Docket No. 980602143-8309-02; I.D. 040197B] (RIN: 0648-A199) received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

56. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Incentive

Grants for Alcohol-Impaired Driving Prevention Programs [Docket No. NHTSA-98-4942] (RIN: 2127-AH42) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

57. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Truck Size and Weight; National Network; North Dakota [FHWA Docket No. 98-3467] (RIN: 2125-AE36) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

58. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Regulated Navigation Area: Navigable waters within the First Coast Guard District [CGDI-98-151] (RIN: 2115-AE84) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

59. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Regattas and Marine Parades [CGD 95-054] (RIN: 2115-AF17) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

60. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Temporary Drawbridge Regulations; Mississippi River, Iowa and Illinois [CGD 08-98-077] (RIN: 2115-AE47) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

61. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Emergency Control Measures for Tank Barges [USCG 1998-4443] (RIN: 2115-AF65) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

62. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A300 B4-600R and A300 F4-600R Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-361-AD; Amendment 39-10956; AD 98-25-53] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

63. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Raytheon Aircraft Company Models 1900, 1900C, and 1900D Airplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-153-AD; Amendment 39-10959; AD 98-26-16] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

64. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A310 and A300-600 Series Airplanes Equipped with Pratt & Whitney JT9D-7R4 or 4000 Series Engines [Docket No. 98-NM-358-AD; Amendment 39-10952; AD 98-25-51] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

65. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9-10, -20, -30, -40, and -50 Series Airplanes, and C-9 (Military) Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-56-AD; Amendment 39-10948; AD 98-26-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

66. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting

the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace Jetstream Model 3201 Airplanes [Docket No. 98-CE-75-AD; Amendment 39-10960; AD 98-26-17] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

67. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29418; Amdt. No. 413] received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

68. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McCauley Propeller Systems Models 2A36C23/84B-0 and 2A36C82/84B-2 Propellers [Docket No. 98-ANE-34-AD; Amendment 39-10939; AD 98-25-13] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

69. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace (Operations) Limited Model B.121 Series 1,2, and 3 Airplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-122-AD; Amendment 39-10946; AD 98-26-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

70. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Limited, Bristol Engines Division, Viper Models Mk.521 and Mk.522 Turbojet Engines [Docket No. 98-ANE-01-AD; Amendment 39-10947; AD 98-26-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

71. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Saab Model SAAB 2000 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-239-AD; Amendment 39-10951; AD 98-26-11] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

72. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Dassault Model Mystere-Falcon 20 Series Airplanes, Fan Jet Falcon Series Airplanes, and Fan Jet Falcon Series D,E, and F Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-221-AD; Amendment 39-10950; AD 98-26-10] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

73. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC9-10, -20, -30, -40, and -50 Series Airplanes, and C-9 (Military) Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-06-AD; Amendment 39-10949; AD 98-26-09] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

74. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-59-AD; Amendment 39-10954; AD 98-26-13] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

75. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revision of

Class E Airspace; Roswell, NM [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASW-53] received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

76. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Model CL-600-2B19 (Regional Jet Series 100 and 200) Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-330-AD; Amendment 39-10955; AD 98-26-14] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

77. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Dornier Model 328-100 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-290-AD; Amendment 39-10953; AD 98-26-12] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

78. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace (Jetstream) Model 4101 Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-195-AD; Amendment 39-10958; AD 98-26-15] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

79. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Establishment of Class D and E Airspace, Amendment to Class D and E Airspace; Montgomery, AL [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASO-12] received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

80. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revision of Class E Airspace; Burnet, TX [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASW-48] received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

81. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revision of Class E Airspace; Austin, TX [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASW-49] received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

82. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revision of Class E Airspace; Taylor, TX [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASW-50] received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

83. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Establishment of Class E Airspace; Austin, Horseshoe Bay, TX and Revocation of Class E Airspace, Marble Falls, TX [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASW-51] received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

84. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revision of Class E Airspace; San Angelo, TX [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASW-52] received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

85. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Truck Size and Weight; Technical Corrections (RIN: 2125-AE47) received December 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

86. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29404; Amdt. No. 1904] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received December 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

87. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29416; Amdt. No. 1905] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received December 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

88. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29417; Amdt. No. 1906] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received December 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

89. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Raytheon Aircraft Company Models 1900, 1900C, and 1900D Airplanes [Docket No. 98-CE-23-AD; Amendment 39-10970; 99-01-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

90. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; All Airplane Models of The New Piper Aircraft, Inc. (formerly Piper Aircraft Corporation) That Are Equipped with Wing Lift Struts [Docket No. 96-CE-72-AD; Amendment 39-10972; AD 99-01-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

91. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace Jetstream Model 3101 Airplanes [Docket No. 98-CE-99-AD; Amendment 39-10973; AD 99-01-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

92. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace Jetstream Model 3101 Airplanes [Docket No. 98-CE-100-AD; Amendment 39-10974; AD 99-01-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

93. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Pratt & Whitney JT8D and JT3D Series Turbofan Engines [Docket No. 98-ANE-77-AD; Amendment 39-10975; AD 99-01-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

94. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Winchester, VA [Airspace Docket No. 98-AEA-42] received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

95. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Milton, WV [Airspace Docket No. 98-AEA-41] received January 4,

1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

96. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Wise, VA [Airspace Docket No. 98-AEA-39] received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

97. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-327-AD; Amendment 39-10976; AD 99-01-10] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received January 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

98. A letter from the Acting Associate Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Administrative Revisions to the NASA FAR Supplement, MidRange Procurement Procedures—received December 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

99. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Administrative, Procedural, and Miscellaneous [Revenue Procedure 99-7] received December 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

100. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Optional Standard Mileage Rates for Employees, Self-employed Individuals, and Other Taxpayers Used in Computing Deductible Costs [Announcement 99-7] received December 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

101. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Consolidated returns—Limitation on recapture of overall foreign loss accounts [TD 8800] (RIN: 1545-AW51) received December 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

102. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Weighted Average Interest Rate Update [Notice 98-64] received December 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

103. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Consolidated returns—Limitations on recapture of overall foreign loss accounts [TD 8800] (RIN: 1545-AW51) received December 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

104. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Modification of Rev. Proc. 65-17, 1965-1 C.B. 833 [Announcement 99-1] received December 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

105. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property—received December 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

106. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Rulings and determination letters [Rev. Proc. 99-3] received December 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

107. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Eligible Rollover Distributions [Notice 99-5] received December 23, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

108. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Alternative Methods for Reporting 1998 and 1999 IRA Recharacterizations and Reconversions [Announcement 99-5] received December 23, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

109. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Exemption of Israeli Products From Certain Customs User fees [T.D. 99-1] (RIN: 1515-AC39) received January 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

110. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the Annual Report to the Congress on Foreign Economic Collection and Industrial Espionage; to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).

¶2.4 MEMBERS-ELECT SWORN IN

Mr. Elton Gallegly of the 23rd District of California; Mr. Steny H. Hoyer of the 5th District of Maryland; Mr. Alan B. Mollohan of the 1st District of West Virginia; and Mr. Fortney Pete Stark of the 13th District of California, appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office prescribed by law.

¶2.5 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS SWORN IN

Pursuant to the provisions of House Resolution 1, Mr. Wilson S. Livingood of the Commonwealth of Virginia, presented himself at the bar of the House and took the oath of office prescribed by law.

¶2.6 SWEARING IN OF ABSENT MEMBER-ELECT

The SPEAKER laid down the following communication:

Martinez, CA, January 7, 1999.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: On January 6, 1999 you designated me to administer the oath of office to Representative-elect George Miller of the Seventh District of the State of California under House Resolution 12, One Hundred Sixth Congress.

Under such designation, I have the honor to report that on January 7, 1999 at Martinez I administered the oath of office to Mr. Miller. Mr. Miller took the oath prescribed by 5 U.S.C. 3331. I have sent two copies of the oath, signed by Mr. Miller, to the Clerk of the House.

Sincerely,

Judge ELLEN SICKLES JAMES, Ret.

¶2.7 SWEARING-IN OF ABSENT MEMBER-ELECT

The SPEAKER laid down the following communication:

COURT OF APPEAL,

San Francisco, CA, January 8, 1999.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: On January 6, 1999, you designated me to administer the oath of office to Representative-elect Sam Farr of the Seventeenth District of the State of Cali-

fornia under House Resolution 13, One Hundred Sixth Congress.

Under such designation, I have the honor to report that on January 8, 1999, at Carmel, California, I administered the oath of office to Mr. Farr. Mr. Farr took the oath prescribed by 5 U.S.C. section 3331. I have sent two copies of the oath, signed by Mr. Farr, to the Clerk of the House.

Sincerely,

MARC B. POCHÉ.

¶2.8 ORDER OF BUSINESS—"MORNING-HOUR DEBATE"

On motion of Mr. ARMEY, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That on legislative days of Monday and Tuesday during the first session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress the House shall convene 90 minutes earlier than the time otherwise established by order of the House solely for the purpose of conducting "morning-hour debate", (except that on Tuesdays after May 4, 1999, the House shall convene for that purpose one hour earlier than the time otherwise established by order of the House);

Ordered further, That the time for "morning-hour debate" shall be limited to 30 minutes allocated to each party (except that on Tuesdays after May 4, 1999, the time shall be limited to 25 minutes allocated to each party and may not continue beyond 10 minutes before the hour appointed for the resumption of the session of the House); and

Ordered further, That the form of proceeding to "morning-hour debate" shall be as follows: (1) The prayer by the Chaplain, the approval of the Journal, and the pledge of allegiance to the flag shall be postponed until the resumption of the session of the House; (2) Initial and subsequent recognitions for debate shall alternate between the parties; (3) Recognition shall be conferred by the Speaker only pursuant to lists submitted by the Majority Leader and Minority Leader; (4) No Member may address the House for longer than five minutes (except the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, or the Minority Whip); and (5) Following "morning-hour debate", the Chair shall declare a recess pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, until the time appointed for the resumption of the session of the House.

¶2.9 WINTER DISTRICT WORK PERIOD

Mr. ARMEY, by unanimous consent, submitted the following privileged concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 11):

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the House adjourns on the legislative day of Tuesday, January 19, 1999, it stand adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 1999.

When said concurrent resolution was considered and agreed to.

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

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

¶2.11 ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

On motion of Mr. ARMEY, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That it may be in order on Wednesday, February 3, 1999, for the Speaker to recognize Members for motions to suspend the rules under clause 1, rule XV, provided that the Speaker or his designee consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this request.

¶2.12 SELECT COMMITTEE ON U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY AND MILITARY CONCERNS

The SPEAKER, pursuant to the provisions of section 2(f) of House Resolution 5, reappointed to the House Select Committee on United States National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China, on the part of the House, the following Members: Mr. COX, Chairman, Messrs. GOSS, BEREUTER, HANSEN, WELDON of Pennsylvania, DICKS, SPRATT, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mr. SCOTT.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate of the foregoing appointments.

¶2.13 ORDER OF BUSINESS—CORRECTION OF ENGROSSMENT OF H. RES. 7

On motion of Mr. HOYER, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That any references to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight and the Committee on National Security in House Resolution 7 adopted on January 6, 1999, be changed to the Committee on Government Reform and the Committee on Armed Services, respectively, and that the election of Mr. DIXON to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence by the adoption of House Resolution 7 be vacated.

¶2.14 SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION BOARD OF REGENTS

The SPEAKER, pursuant to the provisions of sections 5580 and 5581 or the Revised Statutes (20 U.S.C. 42-43), appointed to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, on the part of the House, the following Members: Messrs. REGULA and Sam JOHNSON of Texas.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate of the foregoing appointments.

¶2.15 OFFICIAL ADVISORS TO U.S. TRADE DELEGATIONS

The SPEAKER, pursuant to the provisions of section 161(a) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2211), appointed to the committee to be accredited by the President as official advisors to the United States delegations to international conferences, meetings, and negotiation sessions relating to trade agreements during the first session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress on the part of the House, the following Members: Messrs. ARCHER, CRANE, THOMAS, RANGEL, and LEVIN.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate of the foregoing appointments.

¶2.16 PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The SPEAKER, pursuant to the provisions of clause 11 of rule X and clause 11 of rule I, appointed to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence the following Members: Messrs. LEWIS of California, MCCOLLUM, CASTLE, BOEHLERT, BASS, GIBBONS, LAHOOD, and Ms. WILSON.

¶2.17 DESIGNATION OF DEPUTY CLERK TO SIGN PAPERS

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
Washington, DC, January 19, 1999.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker,
U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Under Clause 2(g) of Rule II of the Rules of the House of Representatives, I herewith designate Mr. Daniel F.C. Crowley, Deputy Clerk, to sign any and all papers and do all other acts for me under the name of the Clerk of the House which he would be authorized to do by virtue of this designation, except such as are provided by statute, in case of my temporary absence or disability.

This designation shall remain in effect for the 106th Congress or until modified by me. With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL, *Clerk.*

¶2.18 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
Washington, DC, January 8, 1999.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted to Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on January 8, 1999 at 10:35 a.m.

that the Senate passed S. Res. 1
that the Senate passed S. Res. 2
that the Senate made two appointments:
Senate Legal Counsel
Deputy Senate Legal Counsel

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL, *Clerk.*

¶2.19 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
Washington, DC, January 15, 1999.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted to Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on January 15, 1999 at 2:15 p.m.

that the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 1

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL, *Clerk.*

¶2.20 JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS,
Washington, DC, January 6, 1999.

Hon. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I am forwarding to you the Committee's recommendations for certain designations required by law for the 106th Congress.

First, pursuant to Section 8002 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Committee designated the following members to serve on the Joint Committee on Taxation for the 106th Congress: Mr. Archer, Mr. Crane, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Rangel and Mr. Stark.

Second, pursuant to Section 161 of the Trade Act of 1974, the Committee recommended the following members to serve as official advisors for international conference meetings and negotiating sessions on trade agreements: Mr. Archer, Mr. Crane, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Rangel and Mr. Levin.

With best personal regards, I am
Sincerely,

BILL ARCHER, *Chairman.*

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate of the foregoing appointments.

¶2.21 COMMITTEE RESIGNATION—MAJORITY

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

CONGRESS OF UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
January 7, 1999.

Hon. DENNIS J. HASTERT,
Speaker of the House, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I hereby respectfully request a leave of absence from the Committee on Government Reform, effective immediately. My request is made with the understanding that I will retain all seniority on the Committee.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

CHRISTOPHER COX,
U.S. Representative.

The resignation was accepted.

¶2.22 RECESS—2:50 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess at 2 o'clock and 50 minutes p.m., until approximately 8 o'clock and 40 minutes p.m.

¶2.23 AFTER RECESS—8:41 P.M.

The SPEAKER called the House to order.

¶2.24 COMMITTEE RESIGNATION—MAJORITY

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS,
Washington, DC, January 12, 1999.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I hereby resign my position on the Committee on the Budget effective immediately.

Sincerely,

DAN MILLER,
Member of Congress.

The resignation was accepted.

¶2.25 COMMITTEE ELECTION—MAJORITY

Mr. ARMEY, by direction of the Republican Conference, submitted the following privileged resolution (H. Res. 21):

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

COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET: Mr. Collins of Georgia; and Mr. Wamp of Tennessee; both to rank in the named order following Mr. Ryun of Kansas.

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.

¶2.26 COMMITTEE ELECTION—MAJORITY

Mr. ARMEY, by direction of the Republican Conference, submitted the following privileged resolution (H. Res. 22):

Resolved, That the following named Members be, and are hereby, elected to serve on the following standing committee of the House:

COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT: Mr. Hefley of Colorado; Mr. Knollenberg of Michigan; Mr. Portman of Ohio; and Mr. Camp of Michigan.

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.

¶2.27 ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE

On motion of Mr. ARMEY, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until two o'clock p.m. tomorrow, unless the House sooner receives a message from the Senate transmitting its concurrence in House Concurrent Resolution 11, in which case the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

¶2.28 COMMITTEE ELECTION—MINORITY

Mr. FROST, by direction of the Democratic Caucus, submitted the following privileged resolution (H. Res. 23):

Resolved, That the following named Members, Delegates and the Resident Commissioner by, and are hereby, elected to serve on standing committees as follows:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE: Mr. Hill, Indiana.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES: Mr. Larson, Connecticut.

COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS: Mr. Pomeroy, North Dakota; Mr. Delahunt, Massachusetts; Mr. Meeks, New York; Ms.

Lee, California; Mr. Crowley, New York; and Mr. Hoeffel, Pennsylvania.

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE: Mr. Weiner, New York; and Mr. Capuano, Massachusetts.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS: Mr. Baird, Washington; Ms. Schakowsky, Illinois.

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.

¶2.29 SPEAKER AND MINORITY LEADER
TO ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS, APPOINT
COMMISSIONS

On motion of Mr. ARMEY, by unanimous consent,

Ordered. That, notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Tuesday, February 2, 1999, the Speaker and the Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments to commissions, boards and committees duly authorized by law or by the House.

¶2.30 JOINT SESSION TO RECEIVE A
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Vice President and Members of the Senate, who entered the Hall of the House and took seats assigned them, the Vice President taking the Chair to the right of the Speaker.

Whereupon, pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution 1, the SPEAKER called the joint session of the two Houses to order.

The SPEAKER announced the appointment of Messrs. ARMEY, WATTS of Oklahoma, Mrs. FOWLER, Messrs. DICKEY, HUTCHINSON, GEPHARDT, BONIOR, FROST, MENENDEZ, BERRY, and SNYDER as members of the Committee on the part of the House to escort the President into the Hall of the House.

The Vice President announced the appointment of Messrs. LOTT, NICKLES, THURMOND, STEVENS, DOMENICI, WARNER, DASCHLE, REID, Ms. MIKULSKI, Messrs. BREAUX, KERRY, DORGAN, TORRICELLI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. ROCKEFELLER and Mr. DURBIN as members of the committee on the part of the Senate to escort the President into the Hall of the House.

The Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Acting Dean of the Diplomatic Corps, ambassadors, ministers, and charges d'affaires of foreign governments, who entered the Hall of the House and took seats assigned them.

The Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Chief Justice of the United States and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, who entered the Hall of the House and took seats assigned to them.

The Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Members of the President's Cabinet, who entered the Hall of the House and took seats assigned to them.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the President of the United States at 9 o'clock and 6 minutes p.m., escorted by the committees of the two Houses, entered the Hall of the House and, at the

Clerk's desk, delivered the following message:

"Thank you very much.

"Mr. Speaker, Mr. Vice President, Members of Congress, honored guests, my fellow Americans:

"Tonight, I have the honor of reporting to you on the State of the Union.

"Let me begin by saluting the new Speaker of the House and thanking him especially tonight for extending an invitation to two guests sitting in the gallery with Mrs. Hastert. Lyn Gibson and Wei Ling Chestnut are the widows of the two brave Capitol Hill Police Officers who gave their lives to defend freedom's house.

"Mr. Speaker, at your swearing in, you asked us all to work together in a spirit of civility and bipartisanship. Mr. Speaker, let's do exactly that.

"Tonight I stand before you to report that America has created the longest peacetime economic expansion in our history, with nearly 18 million new jobs, wages rising at more than twice the amount of inflation, the highest home ownership in history, the smallest welfare rolls in 30 years and the lowest peacetime unemployment since 1957.

"For the first time in 3 decades, the budget is balanced. From a deficit of \$290 billion in 1992, we had a surplus of \$70 billion last year, and now we are on course for budget surpluses for the next 25 years.

"Thanks to the pioneering leadership of all of you, we have the lowest violent crime rate in a quarter of a century. Our environment is the cleanest in a quarter of a century.

"America is a strong force for peace from Northern Ireland, to Bosnia, to the Middle East.

"Thanks to the leadership of Vice President GORE, we have a government for the Information Age. Once again, our government is a progressive instrument of the common good, rooted in our oldest values of opportunity, responsibility and community, devoted to fiscal responsibility, determined to give our people the tools they need to make the most of their own lives in the 21st century. A 21st century government for 21st century America.

"My fellow Americans, I stand before you tonight to report that the state of our union is strong.

"America is working again. The promise of our future is limitless. But we cannot realize that promise if we allow the hum of our prosperity to lull us into complacency. How we fare as a nation far into the 21st century depends upon what we do as a nation today.

"So with our budget surplus growing, our economy expanding, our confidence rising, now is the moment for this generation to meet our historic responsibility to the 21st century.

"Our fiscal discipline gives us an unsurpassed opportunity to address a remarkable new challenge: the aging of America.

"With the number of elderly Americans set to double by 2030, the Baby Boom will become a Senior Boom.

"So first and above all, we must save Social Security for the 21st century.

"Early in this century, being old meant being poor. When President Roosevelt created Social Security, thousands wrote to thank him for eliminating what one woman called the 'stark terror of penniless, helpless old age.' Even today, without Social Security, half our Nation's elderly would be forced into poverty.

"Today, Social Security is strong. But by 2032, payroll taxes will no longer be sufficient to cover monthly payments. And by 2032, the Trust Fund will be exhausted and Social Security will be unable to pay the full benefits older Americans have been promised.

"The best way to keep Social Security a rock-solid guarantee is not to make drastic cuts in benefits; not to raise payroll tax rates; not to drain resources from Social Security in the name of saving it.

"Instead, I propose that we make the historic decision to invest the surplus to save Social Security.

"Specifically, I propose that we commit 60 percent of the budget surplus for the next 15 years to Social Security, investing a small portion in the private sector just as any private or State government pension would do. This will earn a higher return and keep Social Security sound for 55 years.

"But we must aim higher. We should put Social Security on a sound footing for the next 75 years. We should reduce poverty among elderly women, who are nearly twice as likely to be poor as our other seniors, and we should eliminate the limits on what seniors on Social Security can earn.

"Now, these changes will require difficult but fully achievable choices over and above the dedication of the surplus. They must be made on a bipartisan basis. They should be made this year. So let me say to you tonight, I reach out my hand to all of you in both Houses and in both parties and ask that we join together in saying to the American people, we will save Social Security now.

"Last year, we wisely reserved all of the surplus until we knew what it would take to save Social Security. Again, I say, we should not spend any of it, not any of it, until after Social Security is truly saved. First things first.

"Second, once we have saved Social Security, we must fulfill our obligation to save and improve Medicare. Already, we have extended the life of the Medicare Trust Fund by 10 years, but we should extend it for at least another decade. Tonight I propose that we use one out of every six dollars in the surplus for the next 15 years to guarantee the soundness of Medicare until the year 2020.

"But again, we should aim higher. We must be willing to work in a bipartisan way and look at new ideas, including the upcoming report of the bipartisan Medicare commission. If we work together, we can secure Medicare for the next 2 decades, and cover the

greatest growing need of seniors, affordable prescription drugs.

"Third, we must help all Americans, from their first day on the job, to save, to invest, to create wealth. From its beginning, Americans have supplemented Social Security with private pensions and savings. Yet today, millions of people retire with little to live on other than Social Security. Americans living longer than ever simply must save more than ever.

"Therefore, in addition to saving Social Security and Medicare, I propose a new pension initiative for retirement security in the 21st century. I propose that we use a little over 11 percent of the surplus to establish Universal Savings Accounts, USA Accounts, to give all Americans the means to save. With these new accounts, Americans can invest as they choose, and receive funds to match a portion of their savings, with extra help for those least able to save.

"USA Accounts will help all Americans to share in our Nation's wealth, and to enjoy a more secure retirement. I ask you to support them.

"Fourth, we must invest in long-term care. I propose a tax credit of \$1,000 for the aged, ailing or disabled and the families who care for them. Long-term care will become a bigger and bigger challenge with the aging of America, and we must do more to help our families deal with it.

"I was born in 1946, the first year of the Baby Boom. I can tell you that one of the greatest concerns of our generation is our absolute determination not to let our growing old place an intolerable burden on our children and their ability to raise our grandchildren. Our economic success and our fiscal discipline now give us an opportunity to lift that burden from their shoulders, and we should take it.

"Saving Social Security and Medicare, creating USA Accounts, this is the right way to use the surplus. If we do so, if we do so, we will still have resources to meet critical needs in education and defense. And I want to point out that this proposal is fiscally sound. Listen to this: If we set aside 60 percent of the surplus for Social Security and 16 percent for Medicare, over the next 15 years, that saving will achieve the lowest level of publicly held debt since right before World War I in 1917.

"So, with these four measures, saving Social Security, strengthening Medicare, establishing the USA Accounts, supporting long-term care, we can begin to meet our generation's historic responsibility to establish true security for 21st century seniors.

"Now, there are more children from more diverse backgrounds in our public schools than at any time in our history. Their education must provide the knowledge and nurture the creativity that will allow our entire Nation to thrive in the new economy.

"Today we can say something we could not say 6 years ago: With tax credits and more affordable student loans, with more work study grants

and more Pell grants, with education IRAs and the new HOPE Scholarship tax cut that more than 5 million Americans will receive this year, we have finally opened the doors of college to all Americans.

"With our support, nearly every State has set higher academic standards for public schools, and a voluntary national test is being developed to measure the progress of our students. With over \$1 billion in discounts available this year, we are well on our way to our goal of connecting every classroom and library to the Internet.

"Last fall, you passed our proposal to start hiring 100,000 new teachers to reduce class size in the early grades. Now I ask you to finish the job.

"You know, our children are doing better. SAT scores are up, math scores have risen in nearly all grades. But there is a problem: While our fourth graders outperform their peers in other countries in math and science, our eighth graders are around average, and our twelfth graders rank near the bottom.

"We must do better. Now, each year, the national government invests more than \$15 billion in our public schools. I believe we must change the way we invest that money, to support what works and to stop supporting what does not work.

"First, later this year I will send to Congress a plan that for the first time holds States and school districts accountable for progress, and rewards them for results. My Education Accountability Act will require every school district receiving Federal help to take the following five steps.

"First, all schools must end social promotion. No child, no child should graduate from a high school with a diploma he or she can't read. We do our children no favors when we allow them to pass from grade to grade without mastering the material.

"But we can't just hold students back because the system fails them, so my balanced budget triples the funding for summer school and after-school programs to keep 1 million children learning.

"If you doubt this will work, just look at Chicago, which ended social promotion and made summer school mandatory for those who don't master the basics. Math and reading scores are up 3 years running, with some of the biggest gains in some of the poorest neighborhoods. It will work, and we should do it.

"Second, all States and school districts must turn around their worst performing schools or shut them down. That is the policy established in North Carolina by Governor Jim Hunt. North Carolina made the biggest gains in test scores in the Nation last year. Our budget includes \$200 million to help States turn around their own failing schools.

"Third, all States and school districts must be held responsible for the quality of their teachers. The great majority of our teachers do a fine job,

but in too many schools teachers don't have college majors, or even minors, in the subjects they teach. New teachers should be required to pass performance exams, and all teachers should know the subjects they are teaching.

"This year's balanced budget contains resources to help them reach higher standards, and to attract talented young teachers to the toughest assignments, I recommend a six-fold increase in our program for college scholarships for students who commit to teach in the inner cities and isolated rural areas and in Indian communities. Let us bring excellence to every part of America.

"Fourth, we must empower parents with more information and more choices. In too many communities it is easier to get information on the quality of local restaurants than on the quality of the local schools. Every school district should issue report cards on every school, and parents should be given more choices in selecting their public schools.

"When I became President, there was just one independent public charter school in all America. With our support, on a bipartisan basis, today there are 1,100. My budget assures that early in the next century there will be 3,000.

"Fifth, to ensure that our classrooms are truly places of learning and to respond to what teachers have been asking us to do for years, we should say that all States and school districts must both adopt and implement sensible discipline policies.

"Now, let's do one more thing for our children. Today too many schools are so old they are falling apart, or so overcrowded students are learning in trailers. Last fall Congress missed the opportunity to change that. This year, with 53 million children in our schools, Congress must not miss that opportunity again. I ask you to help our communities build or modernize 5,000 schools.

"Now, if we do these things—end social promotion, turn around failing schools, build modern ones, support qualified teachers, promote innovation, competition, and discipline—then we will begin to meet our generation's historic responsibility to create 21st century schools.

"We also have to do more to support the millions of parents who give their all every day at home and at work.

"The most basic tool of all is a decent income. So let's raise the minimum wage by \$1 an hour over the next 2 years. And let's make sure that women and men get equal pay for equal work by strengthening enforcement of the equal pay laws.

"That was encouraging, you know. There was more balance on the seesaw. I like that. Let's give them a hand. That's great.

"Working parents also need quality child care. So again this year I ask Congress to support our plan for tax credits and subsidies for working families, for improved safety and quality, for expanded after-school programs.

"Our plan also includes a new tax credit for stay-at-home parents, too. They need support, as well. Parents should never have to worry about choosing between their children and their work. The Family and Medical Leave Act, the very first bill I signed into law, has now, since 1993, helped millions and millions of Americans to care for a newborn baby or an ailing relative without risking their jobs. I think it is time, with all the evidence that it has been so little burdensome to employers, to extend family leave to 10 million more Americans working for smaller companies. I hope you will support it.

"Finally, on the matter of work, parents should never have to face discrimination in the workplace. I want to ask Congress to prohibit companies from refusing to hire or promote workers simply because they have children. That is not right.

"America's families deserve the world's best medical care. Thanks to bipartisan Federal support for medical research, we are now on the verge of new treatments to prevent or delay diseases, from Parkinsons to Alzheimers, from arthritis to cancer. But as we continue our advances in medical science, we can't let our medical system lag behind.

"Managed care has literally transformed medicine in America, driving down costs, but threatening to drive down quality as well. I think we ought to say to every American, you should have the right to know all your medical options, not just the cheapest. If you need a specialist, you should have a right to see one. You have a right to the nearest emergency care, if you are in an accident. These are things that we ought to say. I think we ought to say, you should have a right to keep your doctor during a period of treatment, whether it is a pregnancy or a chemotherapy treatment or anything else. I believe this.

"Now, I have ordered these rights to be extended to the 85 million Americans served by Medicare, Medicaid, and other Federal health programs. But only Congress can pass a Patients' Bill of Rights for all Americans. Last year, Congress missed that opportunity. We must not miss that opportunity again. For the sake of our families, I ask us to join together across party lines and pass a strong, enforceable Patients' Bill of Rights.

"As more of our medical records are stored electronically, the threats to our privacy increase. Because Congress has given me the authority to act if it does not do so by August, one way or another, we can all say to the American people, we will protect the privacy of medical records, and we will do it this year.

"Two years ago the Congress extended health coverage to up to 5 million children. Now we should go beyond that. We should make it easier for small businesses to offer health insurance. We should give people between the ages of 55 and 65 who lose their

health insurance the chance to buy into Medicare. We should continue to ensure access to family planning.

"No one should have to choose between keeping health care and taking a job. Therefore, I especially ask you tonight to join hands to pass the landmark bipartisan legislation proposed by Senators KENNEDY and JEFFORDS, ROTH and MOYNIHAN, to allow people with disabilities to keep their health insurance when they go to work.

"We need to enable our public hospitals, our community, our university health centers, to provide basic, affordable care for all the millions of working families who don't have any insurance. They do a lot of that today, but much more can be done, and my balanced budget makes a good down payment toward that goal. I hope you will think about them and support that provision.

"Let me say, we must step up our efforts to treat and prevent mental illness. No American should ever be afraid, ever, to address this disease. This year we will host a White House Conference on Mental Health. With sensitivity, commitment and passion, Tipper Gore is leading our efforts here, and I would like to thank her for what she is doing.

"As everyone knows, our children are targets of a massive media campaign to hook them on cigarettes. I ask this Congress to resist the tobacco lobby, to reaffirm the FDA's authority to protect our children from tobacco, and to hold tobacco companies accountable while protecting tobacco farmers.

"Smoking has cost taxpayers hundreds of billions of dollars under Medicare and other programs. The States have been right about this, taxpayers shouldn't pay for the cost of lung cancer, emphysema, and other smoking-related illnesses; the tobacco companies should. So tonight I announce that the Justice Department is preparing a litigation plan to take the tobacco companies to court, and with the funds we recover, to strengthen Medicare.

"Now, if we act in these areas—minimum wage, family leave, child care, health care, the safety of our children—then we will begin to meet our generation's historic responsibilities to strengthen our families for the 21st century.

"Today, America is the most dynamic competitive job creating economy in history.

"But we can do even better in building a 21st century economy that embraces all Americans.

"Today's income gap is largely a skills gap. Last year, the Congress passed a law enabling workers to get a skills grant to choose the training they need, and I applaud all of you here who were part of that. This year, I recommend a five-year commitment to this new system, so that we can provide over the next 5 years appropriate training opportunities for all Americans who lose their jobs and expand rapid response teams to help all towns which have been really hurt when busi-

nesses close. I hope you will support this.

"Also, I ask your support for a dramatic increase in Federal support for adult literacy. We can mount a national campaign, aimed at helping the millions and millions of working people who still read at less than a fifth grade level. We need to do this.

"Here is some good news. In the past 6 years, we have cut the welfare rolls nearly in half. Two years ago, from this podium, I asked five companies to lead a national effort to hire people off welfare. Tonight, our Welfare to Work Partnership includes 10,000 companies who have hired hundreds of thousands of people. Our balanced budget will help another 200,000 people move to the dignity and pride of work. I hope you will support it.

"We must do more to bring the spark of private enterprise to every corner of America, to build a bridge from Wall Street to Appalachia, to the Mississippi Delta, to our Native American communities, with more support for community development banks, for empowerment zones, for 100,000 new vouchers for affordable housing, and I ask Congress to support our bold new plan to help businesses raise up to \$15 billion in private sector capital to bring jobs and opportunities to our inner cities and rural areas, with tax credits, loan guarantees, including the new American Private Investment Companies modeled on our Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

"Now, for years and years and years we have had this OPIC, this Overseas Private Investment Corporation, because we knew we had untapped markets overseas. But our greatest untapped markets are not overseas; they are right here at home, and we should go after them.

"Now, we must work hard to help bring prosperity back to the family farm. You know, as this Congress knows very well, dropping prices and the loss of foreign markets have devastated too many family farms. Last year, the Congress provided substantial assistance to help stave off a disaster in American agriculture, and I am ready to work with lawmakers of both parties to create a farm safety net that will include crop insurance reform and farm income assistance. I ask you to join with me and do this.

"This should not be a political issue. Everyone knows what an economic problem is going on out there in rural America today, and we need an appropriate means to address it.

"We must strengthen our lead in technology. It was government investment that led to the creation of the Internet. I propose a 28 percent increase in long-term computing research. We also must be ready for the 21st century from its very first moment, by solving the so-called 'Y2K' computer problem.

"Now, we had one Member of Congress stand up and applaud, and we may have about that ratio out there applauding at home in front of their

television sets. But, remember, this is a big, big problem and we have been working hard on it. Already we have made sure that the Social Security checks will come on time, but I want all the folks at home listening to know that we need every State and local government, every business, large and small, to work with us to make sure that this Y2K computer bug will be remembered as the last headache of the 20th century, not the first crisis of the 21st.

"Now, for our own prosperity, we must support economic growth abroad. Until recently, a third of our economic growth came from exports, but over the past year and a half, financial turmoil overseas has put that growth at risk. Today, much of the world is in recession, with Asia hit especially hard.

"This is the most serious financial crisis in half a century. To meet it, the United States and other nations have reduced interest rates and strengthened the International Monetary Fund, and while the turmoil is not over, we have worked very hard with other nations to contain it.

"At the same time, we have to continue to work on the long-term project, building a global financial system for the 21st century that promotes prosperity and tames the cycle of boom and bust that has engulfed so much of Asia.

"This June, I will meet with other world leaders to advance this historic purpose, and I ask all of you to support our endeavors. I also ask you to support creating a freer and fairer trading system for 21st century America.

"I would like to say something really serious to everyone in this Chamber and both parties. I think trade has divided us and divided Americans outside this Chamber for too long. Somehow we have to find a common ground on which business and workers and environmentalists and farmers and government can stand together. I believe these are the things we ought to all agree on, so let me try.

"First, we ought to tear down barriers, open markets and expand trade, but at the same time we must ensure that ordinary citizens in all countries actually benefit from trade, a trade that promotes the dignity of work and the rights of workers and protects the environment. We must insist that international trade organizations be more open to public scrutiny, instead of mysterious secret things subject to wild criticism.

"When you come right down to it, now that the world economy is becoming more and more integrated, we have to do in the world what we spent the better part of this century doing here at home. We have got to put a human face on the global economy.

"Now, we must enforce our trade laws when imports unlawfully flood our Nation. I have already informed the Government of Japan that if that nation's sudden surge of steel imports into our country is not reversed, America will respond.

"We must help all manufacturers, hit hard by the present crisis, with loan guarantees and other incentives to increase American exports by nearly \$2 billion.

"I would like to believe we can achieve a new consensus on trade based on these principles, and I ask the Congress again to join me in this common approach and to give the President the trade authority long used and now overdue and necessary to advance our prosperity in the 21st century.

"Tonight I issue a call to the nations of the world to join the United States in a new round of global trade negotiation to expand exports of services, manufacturers and farm products.

"Tonight I say, we will work with the International Labor Organization on a new initiative to raise labor standards around the world and this year we will lead the international community to conclude a treaty to ban abusive child labor everywhere in the world.

"If we do these things—invest in our people, our communities, our technology and lead in the global economy—then we will begin to meet our historic responsibility to build a 21st century prosperity for America.

"No nation in history has had the opportunity and the responsibility we now have to shape a world that is more peaceful, more secure, more free. All Americans can be proud that our leadership helped to bring peace in Northern Ireland. All Americans can be proud that our leadership has put Bosnia on the path to peace, and with our NATO allies, we are pressing the Serbian Government to stop its brutal repression in Kosovo, to bring those responsible to justice and to give the people of Kosovo the self-government they deserve.

"All Americans can be proud that our leadership renewed hope for lasting peace in the Middle East. Some of you were with me last December as we watched the Palestinian National Council completely renounce its call for the destruction of Israel. Now I ask Congress to provide resources so that all parties can implement the Wye Agreement, to protect Israel's security, to stimulate the Palestinian economy, to support our friends in Jordan. We must not, we dare not, let them down. I hope you will help.

"As we work for peace, we must also meet threats to our Nation's security, including increased dangers from outlaw nations and terrorism. We will defend our security wherever we are threatened, as we did this summer when we struck at Osama bin Laden's network of terror. The bombing of our embassies in Kenya and Tanzania reminds us again of the risks faced every day by those who represent America to the world. So let us give them the support they need, the safest possible workplaces, and the resources they must have so America can continue to lead.

"We must work to keep terrorists from disrupting computer networks. We must work to prepare local commu-

nities for biological and chemical emergencies, to support research into vaccines and treatments.

"We must increase our efforts to restrain the spread of nuclear weapons and missiles from Korea to India and Pakistan. We must expand our work with Russia, Ukraine and other former Soviet nations to safeguard nuclear materials and technology so they never fall into the wrong hands.

"Our balanced budget will increase funding for these critical efforts by almost two-thirds over the next 5 years. With Russia, we must continue to reduce our nuclear arsenals. The START II Treaty and the framework we have already agreed to for START III could cut them by 80 percent from their Cold War height.

"It has been 2 years since I signed the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty. If we do not do the right thing, other nations will not either. I ask the Senate to take this vital step: Approve the Treaty now to make it harder for other nations to develop nuclear arms and to make sure we can end nuclear testing forever.

"For nearly a decade, Iraq has defied its obligations to destroy its weapons of terror and the missiles to deliver them. America will continue to contain Saddam and we will work for the day when Iraq has a government worthy of its people.

"Last month, in our action over Iraq, our troops were superb. Their mission was so flawlessly executed that we risk taking for granted the bravery and the skill it required. Captain Jeff Taliaferro, a 10-year veteran of the Air Force, flew a B-1B bomber over Iraq as we attacked Saddam's war machine. He is here with us tonight. I would like to ask you to honor him and all the 33,000 men and women of Operation Desert Fox.

"It is time to reverse the decline in defense spending that began in 1985. Since April, together we have added nearly \$6 billion to maintain our military readiness. My balanced budget calls for a sustained increase over the next 6 years for readiness, for modernization and for pay and benefits for our troops and their families.

"We are the heirs of a legacy of bravery represented in every community in America by millions of our veterans. America's defenders today still stand ready at a moment's notice to go where comforts are few and dangers are many, to do what needs to be done as no one else can. They always come through for America. We must come through for them.

"The new century demands new partnerships for peace and security.

"The United Nations plays a crucial role, with allies sharing burdens America might otherwise bear alone. America needs a strong and effective UN. I want to work with this new Congress to pay our dues and our debts.

"We must continue to support security and stability in Europe and Asia, expanding NATO and defining its new missions, maintaining our alliance

with Japan, with Korea, with our other Asian allies, and engaging China.

"In China last year, I said to the leaders and the people what I would like to say again tonight. Stability can no longer be bought at the expense of liberty. But I would also like to say again to the American people, it is important not to isolate China. The more we bring China into the world, the more the world will bring change and freedom to China.

"Last spring, with some of you, I traveled to Africa, where I saw democracy and reform rising but still held back by violence and disease. We must fortify African democracy and peace by launching radio democracy for Africa, supporting the transition to democracy now beginning to take place in Nigeria, and passing the African Trade and Development Act.

"We must continue to deepen our ties to the Americas and the Caribbean, our common work to educate children, fight drugs, strengthen democracy, and increase trade.

"In this hemisphere, every government but one is freely chosen by its people. We are determined that Cuba, too, will know the blessings of liberty.

The American people have opened their hearts and their arms to our Central American and Caribbean neighbors who have been so devastated by the recent hurricanes. Working with Congress, I am committed to help them rebuild.

"When the First Lady and Tipper Gore visited the region, they saw thousands of our troops and thousands of American volunteers. In the Dominican Republic, Hillary helped to rededicate a hospital that had been rebuilt by Dominicans and Americans working side by side.

"With her was someone else who has been very important to the relief efforts. You know, sports records are made and sooner or later they are broken. But making other people's lives better and showing our children the true meaning of brotherhood, that lasts forever. So far more than baseball, Sammy Sosa, you are a hero of two countries.

"So I say to all of you, if we do these things, if we pursue peace, fight terrorism, increase our strength, renew our alliances, we will begin to meet our Nation's historic responsibility to build a stronger 21st century America in a freer, more peaceful world.

"As the world has changed, so have our own communities. We must make them safer, more livable and more united. This year we will reach our goal of 100,000 community police officers ahead of schedule and under budget.

"The Brady Bill has stopped a quarter million felons, fugitives, and stalkers from buying handguns. Now the murder rate is the lowest in 30 years, and the crime rate has dropped for 6 straight years.

"Tonight I propose a 21st century crime bill to deploy the latest technologies and tactics to make our com-

munities even safer. Our balanced budget will help to put up to 50,000 more police on the street in the areas hardest hit by crime and to equip them with new tools, from crime-mapping computers to digital mug shots.

"We must break the deadly cycle of drugs and crime. Our budget expands support for drug testing and treatment, saying to prisoners, if you stay on drugs, you have to stay behind bars. And to those on parole, if you want to keep your freedom, you must stay free of drugs.

"I ask Congress to restore the 5-day waiting period for buying a handgun and extend the Brady Bill to prevent juveniles who commit violent crimes from buying a gun.

"We must do more to keep our schools the safest places in our communities. Last year, every American was horrified and heartbroken by the tragic killings in Jonesboro, Paducah, Pearl, Edinboro, and Springfield.

"We were deeply moved by the courageous parents now working to keep guns out of the hands of children and making efforts so that other parents do not have to live through their loss.

"After she lost her daughter, Suzann Wilson of Jonesboro, Arkansas, came here to the White House with a powerful plea. She said, 'Please, please for the sake of your children, lock up your guns. Don't let what happened in Jonesboro happen in your town.' It is a message she is passionately advocating every day.

"Suzann is here with us tonight with the First Lady. I would like to thank her for her courage and her commitment. Thank you.

"In memory of all the children who lost their lives to school violence, I ask you to strengthen the Safe and Drug-Free School Act, to pass legislation to require child trigger locks, to do everything possible to keep our children safe.

"A century ago, President Theodore Roosevelt defined our 'great central task' as 'leaving this land even a better land for our descendants than it is for us'.

Today we are restoring the Florida Everglades, saving Yellowstone, preserving the red-rock canyons of Utah, protecting California's redwoods and our precious coasts. But our most fateful new challenge is the threat of global warming.

"1998 was the warmest year ever recorded. Last year's heat waves, floods, and storms are but a hint of what future generations may endure if we do not act now.

"Tonight, I propose a new Clean Air Fund to help communities reduce greenhouse and other pollution, and tax incentives and investment to spur clean energy technology, and I want to work with Members of Congress in both parties to reward companies who take early, voluntary action to reduce greenhouse gases.

"Now, all our communities face a preservation challenge as they grow, and green space shrinks. Seven thou-

sand acres of farmland and open space are lost every day.

"In response, I propose two major initiatives: first, a \$1 billion Livability Agenda to help communities save open space, ease traffic congestion and grow in ways that enhance every citizen's quality of life; and, second, a \$1 billion Lands Legacy Initiative to preserve places of natural beauty all across America, from the most remote wilderness to the nearest city park.

"These are truly landmark initiatives, which could not have been developed without the visionary leadership of the Vice President, and I want to thank him very much for his commitment here. Thank you.

"Now, to get the most out of your community, you have to give something back. That is why we created AmeriCorps, our national service program, that gives today's generation a chance to serve their communities and earn money for college. So far, in just 4 years, 100,000 young Americans have built low-income homes with Habitat for Humanity, helped to tutor children, with churches, worked with FEMA to ease the burden of natural disasters, and performed countless other acts of service that have made America better. I ask Congress to give more young Americans the chance to follow their lead and serve America in AmeriCorps.

"Now, we must work to renew our national community as well for the 21st century. Last year, the House passed the bipartisan campaign finance reform legislation sponsored by Representatives SHAYS and MEEHAN and Senators MCCAIN and FEINGOLD. But a partisan minority in the Senate blocked reform. So I would like to say to the House, pass it again, quickly; and I would like to say to the Senate, I hope you will say yes to a stronger American democracy in the year 2000.

"Since 1997, our Initiative on Race has sought to bridge the divides between and among our people. In its report last fall, the Initiative's Advisory Board found that Americans really do want to bring our people together across racial lines. We know it has been a long journey. For some it goes back to before the beginning of our Republic; for others, back since the Civil War; for others, throughout the 20th century. But for most of us alive today, in a very real sense, this journey began 43 years ago, when a woman named Rosa Parks sat down on a bus in Alabama and wouldn't get up. She is sitting down with the First Lady tonight, and she may get up or not as she chooses. We thank her.

"We know that our continuing racial problems are aggravated, as the Presidential Initiative said, by opportunity gaps. The initiative I have outlined tonight will help to close them. But we know that the discrimination gap has not been fully closed either. Discrimination or violence because of race or religion, ancestry or gender, disability or sexual orientation, is wrong, and it ought to be illegal. Therefore, I ask Congress to make the Employment

Nondiscrimination Act and the Hate Crimes Prevention Act the law of the land.

"You know, since every person in America counts, every American ought to be counted. We need a census that uses modern scientific methods to do that.

"Our new immigrants must be part of our One America. After all, they are revitalizing our cities, they are energizing our culture, they are building up our economy. We have a responsibility to make them welcome here, and they have a responsibility to enter the mainstream of American life. That means learning English and learning about our democratic system of government.

"There are now long waiting lines of immigrants that are trying to do just that. Therefore, our budget significantly expands our efforts to help them meet their responsibility. I hope you will support it.

"Whether our ancestors came here on the Mayflower or on slave ships, whether they came to Ellis Island or LAX in Los Angeles, whether they came yesterday or walked this land 1,000 years ago, our great challenge for the 21st century is to find a way to be One America. We can meet all the other challenges, if we can go forward as One America.

"You know, barely more than 300 days from now, we will cross that bridge into the new millennium. This is a moment, as the First Lady has said, to honor the past and imagine the future. I would like to take just a minute to honor her for leading our Millennium Project, for all she has done for our children, for all she has done in her historic role to serve our Nation and our best ideals at home and abroad. I honor her.

"Last year, I called on Congress and every citizen to mark the millennium by saving America's treasures. Hillary has traveled all across the country to inspire recognition and support for saving places like Thomas Edison's invention factory and Harriet Tubman's home.

"Now we have to preserve our treasures in every community, and tonight, before I close, I want to invite every town, every city, every community, to become a nationally recognized millennium community, by launching projects that save our history, promote our arts and humanities, prepare our children for the 21st century.

"Already the response has been remarkable, and I want to say a special word of thanks to our private sector partners and to Members in Congress of both parties for their support. Just one example: Because of you, the Star Spangled Banner will be preserved for the ages.

"In ways large and small, as we look to the millennium, we are keeping alive what George Washington called 'the sacred fire of liberty.'

"Six years ago, I came to office in a time of doubt for America, with our economy troubled, our deficit high, our

people divided. Some even wondered whether our best days were behind us.

"But across this country, in 1,000 neighborhoods, I had seen, even amidst the pain and uncertainty of recession, the real heart and character of America. I knew then that we Americans could renew this country.

"Tonight, as I deliver the last State of the Union address of the 20th century, no one anywhere in the world can doubt the enduring resolve and boundless capacity of the American people to work toward that 'more perfect union' of our founders' dream.

"We are now at the end of a century when generation after generation of Americans answered the call to greatness, overcoming Depression, lifting up the dispossessed, bringing down barriers to racial prejudice, building the largest middle class in history, winning two World Wars in the 'long twilight struggle' of the Cold War. We must all be profoundly grateful for the magnificent achievements of our forebears in this century.

"Yet perhaps in the daily press of events, in the clash of controversy, we don't see our own time for what it truly is, a new dawn for America. Ten years from tonight, another American President will stand in this place and report on the State of the Union. He, or she, will look back on a 21st century shaped in so many ways by the decisions we make here and now.

"So let it be said of us then that we were thinking not only of our time, but of their time; that we reached as high as our ideals; that we put aside our divisions and found a new hour of healing and hopefulness; that we joined together to serve and strengthen the land we love.

"My fellow Americans, this is our moment. Let us lift our eyes as one nation, and from the mountain top of this American century, look ahead to the next one, asking God's blessing on our endeavors and on our beloved country.

"Thank you, and good evening."

At 10 o'clock and 27 minutes p.m., the President of the United States retired from the Hall of the House, followed by his Cabinet.

The Chief Justice of the United States and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court retired from the Hall of the House.

The ambassadors, ministers and charges d'affaires of foreign governments retired from the Hall of the House.

The SPEAKER, at 10 o'clock and 32 minutes p.m., then declared the joint session of the two Houses dissolved.

The Vice President and Members of the Senate retired from the Hall of the House.

¶2.31 REFERENCE OF THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On motion of Mr. THUNE, the message of the President, as delivered, together with the accompanying documents, was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 106-1).

And then,

¶2.32 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. THUNE, pursuant to the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 11, at 10 o'clock and 34 minutes p.m., the House adjourned until 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 2, 1999 for "morning-hour debate" or, under the previous order of the House, until 2 p.m. tomorrow if not sooner in receipt of a message from the Senate transmitting its concurrence in House Concurrent Resolution 11.

¶2.33 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:

[Filed on January 2, 1999]

Mr. TALENT: Committee on Small Business. Summary of Activities of the Committee on Small Business, 105th Congress (Rept. No. 105-849). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. THOMAS: Committee on House Oversight. Report on the Activities of the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives During the One Hundred Fifth Congress (Rept. No. 105-850). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

[Filed on January 3, 1999]

Mr. COX: Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China. Report of the Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China (Rept. No. 105-851). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. TALENT: Committee on Small Business. H.R. 68. A bill to amend section 20 of the Small Business Act and make technical corrections in Title III of the Small Business Investment Act (Rept. No. 106-1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

¶2.34 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. LEVIN (for himself, Mr. SHAW, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. PAUL, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. HOLDEN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. COYNE, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. FORD, Mr. VENTO, and Mr. BALDACCIO):

H.R. 323. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the exclusion for employer-provided educational assistance and to restore the exclusion for graduate level educational assistance; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LEVIN:

H.R. 324. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income certain amounts received as scholarships by an individual under the National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BONIOR (for himself, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. FROST, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. CLAY, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. OWENS, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. ANDREWS, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. CARSON, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. COYNE, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. FALDOMAEGA, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FORD, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. KLINK, Mr. LAFALCE, Ms. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. NADLER, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OBEY, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. ROTHMAN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. STARK, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. VENTO, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WEXLER, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. WYNN):

H.R. 325. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to increase the Federal minimum wage; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ARCHER (for himself, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. CRANE, and Mr. LEVIN):

H.R. 326. A bill to make miscellaneous and technical changes to various trade law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ADERHOLT (for himself and Mr. BACHUS):

H.R. 327. A bill to provide for the assessment of additional antidumping duties prior to the effective date of an antidumping order issued under the Tariff Act of 1930 with respect to steel products; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 328. A bill to prevent the implementation of parity payments and certain marketing quotas under the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 and the Agricultural Act of 1949, to reduce the amounts available for payments under production flexibility contracts entered into under the Agricultural Market Transition Act, and to shorten the period during which such payments will be made; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. ANDREWS (for himself, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 329. A bill to provide that children's sleepwear shall be manufactured in accordance with stricter flammability standards; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. FOSSELLA:

H.R. 330. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce individual income tax rates by 30 percent; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 331. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for public funding for House of Representatives elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

H.R. 332. A bill to terminate the authorities of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation; to the Committee on International Relations.

H.R. 333. A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code to modify the application

of chapter 7 relating to liquidation cases; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 334. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the deportation of aliens who associate with known terrorists; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 335. A bill to amend section 207 of title 18, United States Code, to increase to 5 years the period during which former Members of Congress may not engage in certain lobbying activities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 336. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives for investments in tax enterprise zone businesses and domestic businesses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 337. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from income tax the gain from the sale of a business closely held by an individual who has attained age 62, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 338. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax to C corporations which have substantial employee ownership and to encourage stock ownership by employees by excluding from gross income stock paid as compensation for services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 339. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an inflation adjustment of the dollar limitation on the exclusion of gain on the sale of a principal residence; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 340. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the incentives for the construction and renovation of public schools; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 341. 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.

H.R. 342. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to provide penalties for open air drug markets, and for other purposes; 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.

H.R. 343. A bill to protect the Social Security system and to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to require a two-thirds vote for legislation that changes the discretionary spending limits or the pay-as-you-go provisions of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 if the budget for the current year (or immediately preceding year) was not in surplus; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, and Rules, 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. BARRETT of Nebraska:

H.R. 344. A bill to modify the project for flood control, Wood River, Grand Island, Nebraska; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland

H.R. 345. A bill to authorize the President to issue a posthumous Army commission in the grade of captain in the Chaplains Corps to Ella E. Gibson, who served as chaplain of the First Wisconsin Heavy Artillery regiment during the Civil War; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H.R. 346. A bill to prohibit the payment to the United Nations of any contributions by the United States until United States overpayments to such body have been properly credited or reimbursed; to the Committee on International Relations.

H.R. 347. A bill to protect the right to obtain firearms for security, and to use firearms in defense of self, family, or home, and to provide for the enforcement of such right; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 348. A bill to authorize the construction of a monument to honor those who have served the Nation's civil defense and emergency management programs; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. BENTSEN:

H.R. 349. A bill to amend the Act commonly called the "Flag Code" to add the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CONDIT (for himself, Mr.

PORTMAN, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. DREIER, Ms. DANNER, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. LINDER, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. GOSS, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. DELAY, Mr. GOODE, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. TANNER, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. TURNER, Mr. KASICH, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. REYNOLDS, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. RILEY, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. NORWOOD, and Mr. HAYES):

H.R. 350. A bill to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS (for himself, Mr.

FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. COOKSEY, and Mr. DEUTSCH):

H.R. 351. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Health and Human Services from treating any Medicaid-related funds recovered as part of State litigation from one or more tobacco companies as an overpayment under the Medicaid Program; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. HILL of Montana, Mr. FROST,

Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. SCHAFFER, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mrs. KELLY, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. THUNE, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. PITTS, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. COOK, Mr. METCALF, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. PASCARELL, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. MCCREY, Mr. RILEY, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. TALENT, Mr. PAUL, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. ALLEN, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. BALDACCI, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. PEASE, Mr. POMEROY, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. COOKSEY, and Mr. WELLER):

H.R. 352. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional retirement savings opportunities for small employers, including self-employed individuals; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. CAPPS (for herself, Mr.

FORBES, Mr. VENTO, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. ACKERMAN, Ms. DANNER, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. MEEHAN, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr.

WEYGAND, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. BILBRAY, Ms. RIVERS, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. HORN, Mr. COYNE, Mr. OLVER, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. FOLEY):

H.R. 353. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to waive the 24-month waiting period for Medicare coverage of individuals disabled with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), and to provide Medicare coverage of drugs used for treatment of ALS; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. COBLE:

H.R. 354. A bill to amend title 17, United States Code, to provide protection for certain collections of information; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CONDIT (for himself, Mr. POMBO, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. GOODE, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. STUMP, Mr. McINTYRE, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. STUPAK, Mrs. THURMAN, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. TURNER, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, and Mr. TOWNS):

H.R. 355. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide that persons retiring from the Armed Forces shall be entitled to all benefits which were promised them when they entered the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. CONDIT:

H.R. 356. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to Stanislaus County, California; to the Committee on Science.

By Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mrs. MORELLA, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. BALDACCI, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. CAPUANO, Ms. CARSON, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. FORD, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. HINOJOSA, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. LEACH, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. LOFGREN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. NADLER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SANDLIN,

Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. STARK, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. VENTO, Mr. VISCLOSKY, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WEINER, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. WISE, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. WYNN):

H.R. 357. A bill to prevent violence against women, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Ways and Means, Commerce, Banking and Financial Services, Armed Services, and Government Reform, 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. DINGELL (for himself, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. STARK, Mr. CLAY, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. BERRY, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. ALLEN, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BENTSEN, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. BROWN of California, Mrs. CAPPAS, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. CARSON, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. COYNE, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. DELAHUNT, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DIXON, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FALCOMA, Ms. FARR of California, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FORD, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. FROST, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HILL of Indiana, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. HOFFEL, Mr. HOYER, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KANJOORSKI, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. KLING, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. LANTOS, Ms. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. LUTHER, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. MATSUI, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. MOORE, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. NADLER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OLVER, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. PHELPS, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. ROTHMAN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SABO, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. SAWYER, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. SHOWS, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. SPRATT, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. VENTO, Mr. VISCLOSKY, Mr. WEINER, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. WISE, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. WU, Mr. WYNN, Ms. CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN, Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. GORDON, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. BECERRA,

Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. BARCIA of Michigan, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. OBEY, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. BAIRD, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, and Mr. BOSWELL):

H.R. 358. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage; 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. DOOLITTLE:

H.R. 359. A bill to clarify the intent of Congress in Public Law 93-632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance and operation of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated in that Public Law; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. EWING (for himself, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. JENKINS, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. NADLER, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. COOK, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. ALLEN, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. FILNER, and Mr. CONDIT):

H.R. 360. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare Program of insulin pumps as items of durable medical equipment; to the Committee on Commerce, 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. FALCOMA:

H.R. 361. A bill to provide for administrative procedures to extend Federal recognition to certain Indian groups, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. FILNER:

H.R. 362. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to extend commissary and exchange store privileges to veterans with a service-connected disability rated at 30 percent or more and to the dependents of such veterans; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H.R. 363. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the two-tier annuity computation system applicable to annuities for surviving spouses under the Survivor Benefit Plan for retired members of the Armed Forces so that there is no reduction in such an annuity when the beneficiary becomes 62 years of age; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H.R. 364. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a Veterans' Employment and Training Bill of Rights, to strengthen preference for veterans in hiring, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 365. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to reauthorize the pilot program providing an opportunity for veterans to buy down the interest rate on VA loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 366. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to establish programs and undertake efforts to assist and promote the creation, development, and growth of small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans of service in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on

Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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. FRANKS of New Jersey:

H.R. 367. A bill to regulate the use by interactive computer services of Social Security account numbers and related personally identifiable information; to the Committee on Commerce.

H.R. 368. A bill to require the installation of a system for filtering or blocking matter on the Internet on computers in schools and libraries with Internet access, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

H.R. 369. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the sale of personal information about children without their parents' consent, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 370. A bill to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to prevent luxurious conditions in prisons; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VENTO:

H.R. 371. A bill to expedite the naturalization of aliens who served with special guerrilla units in Laos; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 372. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exclusion from gross income for that portion of a governmental pension received by an individual which does not exceed the maximum benefits payable under title II of the Social Security Act which could have been excluded from income for the taxable year; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey (for himself and Mr. RYUN of Kansas):

H.R. 373. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow all taxpayers who maintain households with dependents a credit for dependents; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN:

H.R. 374. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to notify local law enforcement agencies of allegations of a missing patient or of certain crimes or other misconduct at medical facilities under the jurisdiction of that Secretary and to enable such agencies to investigate such allegations; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 375. A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to restrict the liability under that Act of local educational agencies; 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.

H.R. 376. A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to provide that the United States Army Corps of Engineers perform contract oversight of Fund financed remedial actions under that Act; 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. GALLEGLEY:

H.R. 377. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to procure certain airborne firefighting equipment for the Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. GILLMOR:

H.R. 378. A bill to authorize States to regulate certain solid waste; to the Committee on Commerce.

H.R. 379. A bill to permit States to prohibit the disposal of solid waste imported from other nations; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. GREENWOOD (for himself, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. NEY, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. NADLER, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. METCALF, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BASS, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. GIBBONS, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. MICA, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. KLING, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. GOODE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. CROWLEY):

H.R. 380. A bill to authorize and facilitate a program to enhance training, research and development, energy conservation and efficiency, and consumer education in the oilheat industry for the benefit of oilheat consumers and the public, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. GREENWOOD (for himself, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, and Mr. SHAYS):

H.R. 381. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. GUTIERREZ (for himself, Mr. VENTO, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. FILNER, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. OWENS, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. STARK, and Mr. ORTIZ):

H.R. 382. A bill to amend the Electronic Fund Transfer Act to require additional disclosures relating to exchange rates in transfers involving international transactions; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mrs. KELLY:

H.R. 383. A bill to require that health plans provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for mastectomies and lymph node dissection for the treatment of breast cancer, and coverage for secondary consultations; 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 Ms. KILPATRICK (for herself, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. CARSON, Mr. FORD, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. LEE, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, and Mr. SANDLIN):

H.R. 384. A bill to authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of the Congress honoring Wilma G. Rudolph in recognition of her enduring contributions to humanity and women's athletics in the United States and the world; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Ms. KILPATRICK (for herself, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. FALCOMA, Mr. FROST, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Ms. LEE, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. MCINTYRE, Ms. MILLENDER-

MCDONALD, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. PAUL, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SANDLIN, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. STUPAK):

H.R. 385. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit to primary health providers who establish practices in health professional shortage areas; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KING of New York:

H.R. 386. A bill to repeal the law establishing the independent counsel; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LOBIONDO:

H.R. 387. A bill to prohibit certain oil and gas leasing activities on portions of the Outer Continental Shelf, consistent with the President's Outer Continental Shelf moratorium statement of June 26, 1990; to the Committee on Resources.

H.R. 388. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from issuing oil and gas leases on certain portions of the Outer Continental Shelf; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mrs. MALONEY of New York (for herself, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. RUSH, Mr. GILMAN, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. FALCOMA, Ms. LOFGREN, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.R. 389. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit against tax for employers who provide child care assistance for dependents of their employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCINTOSH (for himself and Mr. NADLER):

H.R. 390. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income amounts received for settlement of certain claims of Holocaust survivors; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCINTOSH:

H.R. 391. A bill to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small businesses with certain Federal paperwork requirements, to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Small Business, 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. MILLENDER-MCDONALD (for herself, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. NOR- TON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. FILNER, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. KLECZKA, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN, and Ms. LEE):

H.R. 392. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to increase the authorization of appropriations for the women's business center program; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. FILNER, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. MCINNIS, and Mr. GUTIERREZ):

H.R. 393. A bill to amend the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 to provide for the remediation of the Atlas uranium milling site near Moab, Utah; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. LAFALCE, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia):

H.R. 394. A bill to ensure that Federal taxpayers receive a fair return for the extraction of locatable minerals on public domain lands, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. LAFALCE, and Mr. DEFAZIO):

H.R. 395. A bill to provide for the reclamation of abandoned hardrock mines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. LEWIS of California, Ms. LEE, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. FARR of California, Ms. CARSON, Mr. FROST, Mr. PORTMAN, Mrs. CAPPES, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. COYNE, Mr. STARK, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. SHERMAN, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. FILNER, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. WATERS, Mr. CLAY, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. TURNER, Ms. NORTON, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. LUTHER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WYNN, Mr. MEHAN, Mr. KASICH, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. FORD, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. DIXON, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. CRAMER, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. BALDACCIO, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. WOLF, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. SPRATT, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. KILDEE, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. OWENS, Ms. CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. SCOTT, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. HOYER, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. EDWARDS, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. CONYERS, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. BOYD, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. ROGAN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. RANGEL):

H.R. 396. A bill to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building"; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia):

H.R. 397. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the percentage depletion allowance for certain hardrock mines; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. MINK of Hawaii:

H.R. 398. A bill to make appropriations for fiscal year 2000 for a plant genetic conservation program; to the Committee on Appropriations.

H.R. 399. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit the use of soft money to influence any campaign for election for Federal office; to the Committee on House Administration.

H.R. 400. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit candidates for election for Federal office from accepting unsecured loans from depository institutions regulated under Federal law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

H.R. 401. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide for treatment of severe spinal cord injury equivalent to the treatment of blindness in determining whether earnings derived from services demonstrate an ability to engage in substantial gainful activity; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. MINK of Hawaii (for herself and Mr. ABERCROMBIE):

H.R. 402. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to further extend health care coverage under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. NETHERCUTT:

H.R. 403. A bill to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services to Assistant Secretary for Indian Health, 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 Ms. NORTON (for herself and Ms. KILPATRICK):

H.R. 404. A bill to amend title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 to impose on employers responsibility for conduct of their employees under certain circumstances; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. NUSSLE (for himself, Mr. EWING, Mr. BOEHLERT, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, and Mr. MEEHAN):

H.R. 405. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the restriction on payment for certain hospital discharges to post-acute care imposed by section 4407 of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. NUSSLE (for himself, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. METCALF, Mr. BEREUTER, and Mr. MINGE):

H.R. 406. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to eliminate the budget neutrality adjustment factor used in calculating the blended capitation rate for MedicareChoice organizations; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. PAUL:

H.R. 407. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for reciprocity in regard to the manner in which nonresidents of a State may carry certain concealed firearms in that State; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota:

H.R. 408. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to expand the number of acres authorized for inclusion in the conservation reserve; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. HOYER, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. SESSIONS, Ms. KILPATRICK, and Mr. KUCINICH):

H.R. 409. A bill to improve the effectiveness and performance of Federal financial as-

sistance programs, simplify Federal financial assistance application and reporting requirements, and improve the delivery of services to the public; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. RAHALL (for himself, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, and Mr. DEFAZIO):

H.R. 410. A bill to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain lands, consistent with the principles of self-initiation of mining claims, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. RAMSTAD:

H.R. 411. A bill to correct the tariff classification of 13" televisions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. REGULA (for himself, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. BERRY, and Mr. KLINK):

H.R. 412. A bill to amend the Trade Act of 1974, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RUSH (for himself, Mr. LEACH, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. VENTO, Mr. OLVER, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. METCALF, and Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts):

H.R. 413. A bill to authorize qualified organizations to provide technical assistance and capacity building services to microenterprise development organizations and programs and to disadvantaged entrepreneurs using funds from the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. RUSH (for himself and Mr. HYDE):

H.R. 414. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the requirements for the admission of non-immigrant nurses who will practice in health professional shortage areas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. SANCHEZ (for herself, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. NORTON, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. FARR of California, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. FORD, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. FILNER, Mr. GREEN of Texas, and Mr. ACKERMAN):

H.R. 415. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage new school construction through the creation of a new class of bond; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SCARBOROUGH (for himself, Mr. MICA, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mrs. MORELLA, Ms. NORTON, Mr. FORD, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. LEACH, and Mr. MURTHA):

H.R. 416. A bill to provide for the rectification of certain retirement coverage errors affecting Federal employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform, 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. SHAYS (for himself, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. WAMP, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. LEACH, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. HOYER, Mr. BILBRAY, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. METCALF, Mr.

GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. GILCHREST, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. SANFORD, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. PORTER, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. WALSH, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. FORBES, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. HORN, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. MINGE, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. KIND of Wisconsin, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. NADLER, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. STARK, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. BALDACCIO, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. LUTHER, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. VENTO, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. HOLT, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. KLECZKA, Ms. KILPATRICK, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. HOEFFEL, Mr. MOORE, Mr. BORSKI, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. CARSON, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Ms. LOFGREN, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. GONZALEZ, and Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut):

H.R. 417. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Government Reform, the Judiciary, Ways and Means, and Rules, 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. SLAUGHTER (for herself and Mr. HOUGHTON):

H.R. 418. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require universal product numbers on claims forms submitted for reimbursement for durable medical equipment and other items under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Commerce, 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. SMITH of Michigan:

H.R. 419. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit to all families with young children, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 420. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to require that the size of the public debt be reduced during each fiscal year by the amount of the net surplus in the Social Security trust funds at the end of that fiscal year; to the Committee on the Budget, 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. STARK:

H.R. 421. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to reduce the amount of coinsurance payable in conjunction with outpatient department services furnished under the Medicare Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, 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. SWEENEY:

H.R. 422. A bill to increase the authorizations of appropriations for certain programs that combat violence against women; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THOMAS (for himself, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. MCINNIS, and Mr. SMITH of Texas):

H.R. 423. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a 5-year net operating loss carryback for losses attributable to operating mineral interests of oil and gas producers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. TRAFICANT:

H.R. 424. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that the mandatory retirement age for members of the Capitol Police be increased from 57 to 60; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Government Reform, 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. VENTO:

H.R. 425. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to make grants to States to supplement State assistance for the preservation of affordable housing for low-income families; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.J. Res. 20. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to authorize the line item veto; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DOOLITTLE (for himself, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. STUMP, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. GOODE, and Mrs. CHENOWETH):

H.J. Res. 21. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States establishing English as the official language of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ARMEY:

H. Con. Res. 11. Concurrent resolution providing for the adjournment of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BALDACCIO (for himself, Mr. ALLEN, and Mr. HINCHEY):

H. Con. Res. 12. Concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate to compile and make available to the public the names of candidates for election to the House of Representatives and the Senate who agree to conduct campaigns in accordance with a Code of Election Ethics; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. ENGEL (for himself, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. OLVER, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. HOYER):

H. Con. Res. 13. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that Serbia-Montenegro has failed to comply with the Holbrooke-Milosevic agreement of October 13, 1998, and that the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) should implement its activation order of October 12, 1998, to compel compliance; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Ms. KAPTUR (for herself and Mr. LATHAM):

H. Con. Res. 14. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the actions needed to address the disastrous decline in hog prices for American pork producers and to relieve the wide-spread economic hardship currently being suffered by these producers; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. McNULTY:

H. Con. Res. 15. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding

the primary author and the official home of "Yankee Doodle"; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. NETHERCUTT:

H. Con. Res. 16. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that Jonathan Jay Pollard should serve his full sentence of life imprisonment and should not receive pardon, reprieve, or any other form of executive clemency from the President of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SAWYER (for himself and Mrs. MORELLA):

H. Con. Res. 17. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States should develop, promote, and implement voluntary policies to slow the population growth of the Nation; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. UPTON (for himself and Mr. GOSS):

H. Con. Res. 18. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress with respect to convicted spy Jonathan Pollard; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ARMEY:

H. Res. 21. A resolution designating majority membership to certain standing committees of the House; considered and agreed to.

H. Res. 22. A resolution designating majority membership to certain standing committees of the House; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FROST:

H. Res. 23. A resolution designating minority membership to certain standing committees of the House; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GALLEGLY:

H. Res. 24. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives congratulating President Pastrana and the people of Colombia for moving the peace process forward and calling on the government and all other parties to the current conflict in Colombia to end the guerrilla and paramilitary violence which continues to pose a serious threat to democracy as well as economic and social stability in Colombia; to the Committee on International Relations.

H. Res. 25. A resolution congratulating the Government of Peru and the Government of Ecuador for signing a peace agreement ending a border dispute which has resulted in several military clashes over the past 50 years; to the Committee on International Relations.

H. Res. 26. A resolution congratulating the people of Guatemala on the second anniversary of the signing of the peace accords in Guatemala; to the Committee on International Relations.

H. Res. 27. A resolution congratulating the people of the Republic of Venezuela on the success of their democratic elections held on December 6, 1998; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mrs. MINK of Hawaii:

H. Res. 28. A resolution recognizing the success of Crime Stoppers International in stopping crimes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2.35 PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Ms. PELOSI:

H.R. 426. A bill for the relief of Mounir Adel Hajjar; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. PELOSI:

H.R. 427. A bill for the relief of Oleg Rasulyevich Rafikov, Alfia Fanilevna Rafikova, Evgenia Olegovna Rafikova, and Ruslan Khamitovich Yagudin; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RAHALL:

H.R. 428. A bill for the relief of certain Persian Gulf evacuees; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROTHMAN:

H.R. 429. A bill for the relief of Alexandre Malofienko, Olga Matsko, and their son, Vladimir Malofienko; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

¶2.36 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 14: Mr. SESSIONS.
 H.R. 17: Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. GUTKNECHT, and Mr. MCHUGH.
 H.R. 22: Mr. WALSH.
 H.R. 23: Mr. SESSIONS.
 H.R. 27: Mr. SESSIONS.
 H.R. 29: Mr. SESSIONS.
 H.R. 32: Mr. SESSIONS.
 H.R. 36: Mr. REYES, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. UNDERWOOD, and Mr. WEYGAND.
 H.R. 38: Mr. SKEEN.
 H.R. 41: Mr. TANCREDO.
 H.R. 45: Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. BAKER, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. BOEHLERT, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. BORSKI, and Mr. SKEEN.
 H.R. 49: Mr. WALSH, Mr. FROST, Mr. BERMAN, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. ORTIZ, and Mrs. MYRICK.
 H.R. 51: Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. FROST, and Mr. OXLEY.
 H.R. 58: Mr. MANZULLO, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, and Mr. FROST.
 H.R. 61: Ms. PELOSI, Mr. NADLER, Mr. FROST, Mr. FILNER, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. SERRANO, and Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.
 H.R. 70: Mr. QUINN, Mr. SAXTON, Ms. DANER, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. JENKINS, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Ms. CARSON, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. HORN, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. LA TOURETTE, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. LAFALCE, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. GREEN of Texas, and Ms. GRANGER.
 H.R. 86: Mr. OSE, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. SHERWOOD, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Ms. BIGGERT, and Mr. SIMPSON.
 H.R. 116: Mr. ALLEN, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. VENTO, Mr. PASTOR, Ms. CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. VISCIOSKY, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WISE, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. HOLDEN, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. WEYGAND, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. CROWLEY, and Mr. ROTHMAN.
 H.R. 136: Mrs. MYRICK.
 H.R. 137: Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. KUCINICH, Mrs. PELOSI, Mr. VENTO, Mr. BONIOR, and Mr. WEYGAND.
 H.R. 141: Mr. OLVER and Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut.
 H.R. 155: Mr. PASTOR.
 H.R. 160: Mr. HASTINGS of Washington.
 H.R. 175: Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. HORN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. WEYGAND, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. LAFALCE, Ms. LEE, and Ms. ESHOO.
 H.R. 176: Mr. HEFLEY.

H.R. 179: Mr. BALDACCIO, Mr. FROST, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. MATSUI, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, and Mr. SANDERS.

H.R. 192: Mr. BRYANT.
 H.R. 196: Mr. POMEROY and Mr. SANDLIN.
 H.R. 206: Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. PELOSI, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. CARSON, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, and Mrs. WILSON.

H.R. 208: Mr. LAFALCE, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. FILNER, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. MANZULLO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. KUCINICH, and Mr. STARK.
 H.R. 215: Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. TRAFICANT, and Mr. WYNN.
 H.R. 217: Mr. BOSWELL.
 H.R. 219: Mr. SHERMAN Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. BACHUS, Ms. DANNER, and Mr. LA TOURETTE.
 H.R. 220: Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MANZULLO, and Mr. LA TOURETTE.

H.R. 222: Mr. CANNON, Mr. BACHUS, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. SANDLIN, and Mr. HALL of Texas.
 H.R. 232: Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. GILLMOR, and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.
 H.R. 271: Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. LEE, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. WAXMAN Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. GREEN of Texas.

H.R. 306: Mr. BISHOP, Mr. BORSKI, Ms. CARSON, Mr. CLAY, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. COSTELLO, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. HOLDEN, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KANJORSKI, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. OLVER, Mr. OITZ, Mr. PASTOR, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. VENTO, Mr. VISCIOSKY, and Mr. WEYGAND.

H.J. Res. 10: Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. SHAW, and Mr. WELDON of Florida.
 H. Con. Res. 5: Ms. KILPATRICK, Ms. NORTON, Mr. FILNER, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. FROST, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. HORN, Mr. FORD, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. FALCOMA VAEGA, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. LOFGREN, Mrs. CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mrs. MYRICK, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. CARSON, Ms. PELOSI, Ms. LEE, Mr. BALDACCIO, and Ms. STABENOW.

H. Con. Res. 8: Mr. DOYLE, Mr. BERRY, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. GOODE.
 H. Res. 15: Mr. LEACH, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. FROST, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. GILMAN, Ms. CARSON, Mr. SKELTON, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. FALCOMA VAEGA, and Ms. LEE.
 H. Res. 18: Ms. KILPATRICK and Mr. WYNN.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1999 (3)

¶3.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,

February 2, 1999.

I hereby designate the Honorable BILL BARRETT to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Whereupon, pursuant to the order of the House of Wednesday, January 19,

1999, Members were recognized for "morning-hour debate".

¶3.2 RECESS—1:30 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess until 2 p.m.

¶3.3 AFTER RECESS—2 P.M.

The SPEAKER called the House to order.

¶3.4 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, January 19, 1999.

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

¶3.5 COMMUNICATIONS

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

111. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Tuberculosis in Captive Cervids [Docket No. 92-076-2] (RIN: 0579-AA53) received January 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

112. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Export Certification; Accreditation of Non-Government Facilities [Docket No. 95-071-2] (RIN: 0579-AA75) received January 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

113. A letter from the Administrator, Rural Development, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Electric Overhead Distribution Lines; Specifications and Drawings for 24.9/14.4 kV Line Construction—received January 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

114. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Pine Shoot Beetle; Addition to Quarantined Areas [Docket No. 98-113-1] received January 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

115. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Change in Disease Status of Liechtenstein Because of BSE [Docket No. 98-119-1] received January 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

116. A letter from the Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Tolerances for Moisture Meters (RIN: 0580-AA60) received January 11, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

117. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Walnuts Grown in California; Increased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV99-984-1 FR] received January 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

118. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of