

H.R. 576: Mr. PALLONE, Mr. KASICH, Ms. NORTON, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. CONYERS, and Mrs. MEEKS of Florida.

H.R. 595: Mr. CLYBURN, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. OLVER, and Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 601: Mr. BILIRAKIS and Mr. MCCOLLUM.
H.R. 607: Mr. ENGLISH and Mr. GARY MILLER of California.

H.R. 614: Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. GALLEGLEY, Mr. GARY MILLER of California, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. DELAY, Mr. SALMON, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, and Mr. DOOLITTLE.

H.R. 632: Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. FORBES, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. LARGENT.

H.R. 639: Mr. HILL of Montana.

H.R. 647: Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. PITTS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. WAMP, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. NEY, and Mr. SANFORD.

H.R. 654: Mr. SHOWS and Mr. BROWN of Ohio.

H.R. 655: Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, and Mr. SERRANO.

H.R. 657: Mr. FORBES.

H.R. 664: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. VENTO, Mr. STRICKLAND, and Mr. ORTIZ.

H.R. 670: Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. INSLEE, and Mrs. CAPPS.

H.R. 685: Mr. WU and Mr. HALL of Texas.

H.R. 709: Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. DOYLE, Ms. KILPATRICK, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SMITH of Washington, and Mr. STARK.

H.R. 716: Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. WELLER, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. NETHERCUTT, and Mr. CLEMENT.

H.R. 719: Mr. GIBBONS.

H.R. 730: Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. SABO, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. COYNE, and Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut.

H.R. 732: Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. MINGE, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. CAPPS, Mrs. SLAUGHTER, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. GOODE, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. COYNE, Ms. ESHOO, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. CLAY.

H.R. 745: Ms. KILPATRICK and Mr. INSLEE.

H.R. 750: Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. INSLEE, and Mr. McINNIS.

H.J. Res. 21: Mr. SWEENEY.

H. Con. Res. 8: Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. SHOWS, Ms. DANNER, Mr. GOSS, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, and Mrs. LOWEY.

H. Con. Res. 10: Mr. RILEY.

H. Con. Res. 16: Mr. GOODLING and Mr. MICA.

H. Con. Res. 21: Mr. BILBRAY and Mr. BORSKI.

H. Con. Res. 22: Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. FORBES, Mr. McINTOSH, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. WELLER, Mr. ROTHMAN, and Mr. KING of New York.

H. Con. Res. 24: Mr. SOUDER, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. HAYES, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. McCRERY, Mr. BAKER, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. BASS, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. SKELTON, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr.

HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. PORTER, Mr. SNYDER, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. COBLE, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. WU, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. GILMAN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MOORE, Mr. KOLBE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LATOURETTE, and Mrs. ROUKEMA.

H. Con. Res. 29: Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. KASICH, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. DANNER, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. OXLEY.

H. Con. Res. 30: Mr. COOKSEY, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. GOODE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. STUMP, Mr. SCHAFFER, Mr. HILL of Montana, Mr. LINDER, and Mr. GUTKNECHT.

H. Con. Res. 32: Mr. FOSSELLA and Mr. FROST.

H. Con. Res. 33: Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. CARSON, Mr. DIXON, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. CLYBURN, and Mrs. MEEK of Florida.

H. Res. 41: Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. CALVERT, Ms. DANNER, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. FORD, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. REYES, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi.

¶11.36 PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

1. The SPEAKER presented a petition of Lexington Fayette Urban County Government, relative to Resolution No. 697-98 commending the members of Congress from coastal states for pursuing legislation to share a portion of outer continental shelf revenue with all states and territories, commending the outer continental shelf policy committee for its recommendations, and urging the United States Congress to pass legislation sharing a meaningful portion of outer continental shelf mineral revenue with all states and territories and land-based recreation and wildlife conservation and restoration; which was referred to the Committee on Resources.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1999 (12)

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

¶12.1 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, February 23, 1999.

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

¶12.2 COMMUNICATIONS

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

730. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report detailing the security situation in the Taiwan Strait; to the Committee on International Relations.

731. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Lockheed Model L-1011-385-1 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-241-AD; Amendment 39-10994; AD 99-02-05] (RIN: 2120-

AA64) received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

732. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Model F.28 Mark 0100 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-250-AD; Amendment 39-10995; AD 99-02-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

733. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Robinson Helicopter Company (RHC) Model R22 Helicopters [Docket No. 98-SW-79-AD; Amendment 39-10991; AD 99-02-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

734. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Avions Pierre Robin Model R2160 Airplanes [Docket No. 98-CE-83-AD; Amendment 39-10971; AD 99-01-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

735. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A320 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 96-NM-103-AD; Amendment 39-10992; AD 99-02-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

736. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendments to Restricted Areas 6302C, D and E; Fort Hood, TX [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASW-47] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

737. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Federal Aviation Regulation No. 36, Development of Major Repair Data [Docket No. FAA-1998-4654; Amendment No. SFAR 36-7] (RIN: 2120-AG64) received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

738. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment of Class E Airspace; Golden Triangle Regional Airport, MS. [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASO-27] received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

739. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model MD-11 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-348-AD; Amendment 39-10988; AD 98-25-11 R1] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

740. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Rockland, ME [Airspace Docket No. 98-ANE-95] received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

741. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Perryville, MO [Airspace Docket No. 99-ACE-1] received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

742. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Grand Island, NE [Airspace Docket No. 99-ACE-2] received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

743. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment of Class E Airspace; Riverton, WY [Airspace Docket No. 98-ANM-15] received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

744. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Modification of Class E Airspace; Monroe, MI [Airspace Docket No. 98-AGL-55] received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

745. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Modification of Class E Airspace; Norwalk, OH [Airspace Docket No. 98-AGL-58] received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

746. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Modification of Class E Airspace; Fostoria, OH [Airspace Docket No. 98-AGL-57] received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

747. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Modification of Class E Airspace; Sandusky, OH [Airspace Docket No. 98-AGL-59] received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

748. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Establishment of Class E Airspace; Bellevue, OH [Airspace Docket No. 98-AGL-60] received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

¶12.3 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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

H.R. 433. An Act to restore the management and personnel authority of the Mayor of the District of Columbia.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105-277, the Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leader of the House, announces the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the International Financial Institution Advisory Commission—

Richard L. Huber, of Connecticut;
Jerome L. Levinson, of Maryland;
Jeffrey D. Sachs, of Massachusetts;
Estaban E. Torres, of California; and
Paul A. Volcker, of New York.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 94-304, as amended by Public Law 99-7, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the Senator from Colorado (Mr.

CAMPBELL) as Co-Chairman of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 96-388, as amended by Public Law 97-84, the Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, appoints the following Senators to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council—

the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER); and
the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG).

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105-389, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, announces the appointment of the following citizens to serve as members of the First Flight Centennial Federal Advisory Board—

Peggy Baty, of Ohio;
Lauch Faircloth, of North Carolina; and
Wilkinson Wright, of Ohio.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 99-498, the Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, appoints Donald R. Vickers, of Vermont, to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance for a term ending September 30, 2001.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 101-509, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, announces the reappointment of C. John Sobotka, of Mississippi, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105-277, the Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, announces the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Parents Advisory Council on Youth Drug Abuse—

Darcy L. Jensen, of South Dakota (Representative of Non-Profit Organization); and
Dr. Lynn McDonald, of Wisconsin.

¶12.4 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 438

Mr. LINDER, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 76):

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 438) to promote and enhance public safety through use of 911 as the universal emergency assistance number, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. Points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 4(a) of rule XIII are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Commerce. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the

Committee on Commerce now printed in the bill. Each section of the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition on the basis of whether the Member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. The chairman of the Committee of the Whole may: (1) postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed question that follows another electronic vote without intervening business, provided that the minimum time for electronic voting on the first in any series of questions shall be 15 minutes. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

When said resolution was considered. After debate,

On motion of Mr. LINDER, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection and under the operation thereof, the resolution was agreed to.

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

¶12.5 WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY ACT—1999

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GILLMOR, pursuant to House Resolution 76 and rule XVIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 438) to promote and enhance public safety through use of 911 as the universal emergency assistance number, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GILLMOR, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. KINGSTON as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. HORN, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. LINDER, Acting Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 76, reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee.

The following amendment, reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, was agreed to:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999".

SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds that—

(1) the establishment and maintenance of an end-to-end emergency communications infrastructure among members of the public, local public safety, fire service, and law enforcement officials, emergency dispatch providers, and hospital emergency and trauma care facilities will reduce response times for the delivery of emergency care, assist in delivering appropriate care, and thereby prevent fatalities, substantially reduce the severity and extent of injuries, reduce time lost from work, and save thousands of lives and billions of dollars in health care costs;

(2) the rapid, efficient deployment of emergency telecommunications service requires statewide coordination of the efforts of local public safety, fire service, and law enforcement officials, and emergency dispatch providers, and the designation of 911 as the number to call in emergencies throughout the Nation;

(3) improved public safety remains an important public health objective of Federal, State, and local governments and substantially facilitates interstate and foreign commerce;

(4) the benefits of wireless communications in emergencies will be enhanced by the development of state-wide plans to coordinate the efforts of local public safety, fire service, and law enforcement officials, emergency dispatch providers, emergency medical service providers on end-to-end emergency communications infrastructures; and

(5) the construction and operation of seamless, ubiquitous, and reliable wireless telecommunications systems promote public safety and provide immediate and critical communications links among members of the public, emergency medical service providers and emergency dispatch providers, public safety, fire service and law enforcement officials, and hospital emergency and trauma care facilities.

(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to encourage and facilitate the prompt deployment throughout the United States of a seamless, ubiquitous, and reliable end-to-end infrastructure for communications, including wireless communications, to meet the Nation's public safety and other communications needs.

SEC. 3. UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF UNIVERSAL SERVICE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER.—Section 251(e) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 251(e)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(3) UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER.—The Commission and any agency or entity to which the Commission has delegated authority under this subsection shall designate 911 as the universal emergency telephone number within the United States for reporting an emergency to appropriate authorities and requesting assistance. Such designation shall apply to both wireline and wireless telephone service. In making such designation, the Commission (and any such agency or entity) shall provide appropriate transition periods for areas in which 911 is not in use as an emergency telephone number on the date of the enactment of the Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999.”

(b) TECHNICAL SUPPORT.—The Federal Communications Commission shall provide technical support to States to support and encourage the development of statewide plans for the deployment and functioning of a comprehensive end-to-end emergency communications infrastructure, including enhanced wireless 911 service, on a coordinated statewide basis. In supporting and encouraging such deployment and functioning, the Commission shall consult and cooperate with State and local officials responsible for

emergency services and public safety, the telecommunications industry (specifically including the cellular and other wireless telecommunications service providers), the motor vehicle manufacturing industry, emergency medical service providers and emergency dispatch providers, special 911 districts, public safety, fire service and law enforcement officials, consumer groups, and hospital emergency and trauma care personnel (including emergency physicians, trauma surgeons, and nurses).

SEC. 4. PARITY OF PROTECTION FOR PROVISION OR USE OF WIRELESS SERVICE.

(a) PROVIDER PARITY.—A wireless carrier, and its officers, directors, employees, vendors, and agents, shall have immunity or other protection from liability of a scope and extent that is not less than the scope and extent of immunity or other protection from liability in a particular jurisdiction that a local exchange company, and its officers, directors, employees, vendors, or agents, have under Federal and State law applicable in such jurisdiction with respect to wireline services, including in connection with an act or omission involving—

(1) development, design, installation, operation, maintenance, performance, or provision of wireless service;

(2) transmission errors, failures, network outages, or other technical difficulties that may arise in the course of transmitting or handling emergency calls or providing emergency services (including wireless 911 service); and

(3) release to a PSAP, emergency medical service provider or emergency dispatch provider, public safety, fire service or law enforcement official, or hospital emergency or trauma care facility of subscriber information related to emergency calls or emergency services involving use of wireless services.

(b) USER PARITY.—A person using wireless 911 service shall have immunity or other protection from liability in a particular jurisdiction of a scope and extent that is not less than the scope and extent of immunity or other protection from liability under Federal or State law applicable in such jurisdiction in similar circumstances of a person using 911 service that is not wireless.

(c) EXCEPTION FOR STATE LEGISLATIVE ACTION.—The immunity or other protection from liability required by subsection (a)(1) shall not apply in any State that, prior to the expiration of 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, enacts a statute that specifically refers to this section and establishes a different standard of immunity or other protection from liability with respect to an act or omission involving development, design, installation, operation, maintenance, performance, or provision of wireless service (other than wireless 911 service). The enactment of such a State statute shall not affect the immunity or other protection from liability required by such subsection (a)(1) with respect to acts or omissions occurring before the date of the enactment of such State statute.

SEC. 5. AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE CUSTOMER INFORMATION.

Section 222 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 222) is amended—

(1) in subsection (d)—

(A) by striking “or” at the end of paragraph (2);

(B) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (3) and inserting a semicolon;

(C) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

“(4) to provide call location information concerning the user of a commercial mobile service (as such term is defined in section 332(d))—

“(A) to a public safety answering point, emergency medical service provider or emer-

gency dispatch provider, public safety, fire service, or law enforcement official, or hospital emergency or trauma care facility, in order to respond to the user's call for emergency services;

“(B) to inform the user's legal guardian or members of the user's immediate family of the user's location in an emergency situation that involves the risk of death or serious physical harm; or

“(C) to providers of information or database management services solely for purposes of assisting in the delivery of emergency services in response to an emergency; or

“(5) to transmit automatic crash notification information as part of the operation of an automatic crash notification system.”;

(2) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection (h) and by inserting before such subsection the following new subsections:

“(f) AUTHORITY TO USE WIRELESS LOCATION INFORMATION.—For purposes of subsection (c)(1), without the express prior authorization of the customer, a customer shall not be considered to have approved the use or disclosure of or access to—

“(1) call location information concerning the user of a commercial mobile service (as such term is defined in section 332(d)), other than in accordance with subsection (d)(4); or

“(2) automatic crash notification information to any person other than for use in the operation of an automatic crash notification system.

“(g) SUBSCRIBER LISTED AND UNLISTED INFORMATION FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES.—Notwithstanding subsections (b), (c), and (d), a telecommunications carrier that provides telephone exchange service shall provide information described in subsection (h)(3)(A) (including information pertaining to subscribers whose information is unlisted or unpublished) that is in its possession or control (including information pertaining to subscribers of other carriers) on a timely and unbundled basis, under nondiscriminatory and reasonable rates, terms, and conditions to providers of emergency services, and providers of emergency support services, solely for purposes of delivering or assisting in the delivery of emergency services.”;

(3) in subsection (h)(1)(A) (as redesignated by paragraph (2)), by inserting “location,” after “destination,”; and

(4) in such subsection (h), by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

“(4) PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT.—The term ‘public safety answering point’ means a facility that has been designated to receive emergency calls and route them to emergency service personnel.

“(5) EMERGENCY SERVICES.—The term ‘emergency services’ means 911 emergency services and emergency notification services.

“(6) EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SERVICES.—The term ‘emergency notification services’ means services that notify the public of an emergency.

“(7) EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES.—The term ‘emergency support services’ means information or data base management services used in support of emergency services.”.

SEC. 6. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this Act:

(1) The term “State” means any of the several States, the District of Columbia, or any territory or possession of the United States.

(2) The term “public safety answering point” or “PSAP” means a facility that has been designated to receive emergency calls and route them to emergency service personnel.

(3) The term “wireless carrier” means a provider of commercial mobile services or any other radio communications service that the Federal Communications Commission requires to provide wireless emergency service.

(4) The term "enhanced wireless 911 service" means any enhanced 911 service so designated by the Federal Communications Commission in the proceeding entitled "Revision of the Commission's Rules to Ensure Compatibility with Enhanced 911 Emergency Calling Systems" (CC Docket No. 94-102; RM-8143), or any successor proceeding.

(5) The term "wireless 911 service" means any 911 service provided by a wireless carrier, including enhanced wireless 911 service.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read a third time by title.

The question being put, *viva voce*,
Will the House pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. HORN, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. TAUZIN demanded that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays, which demand was supported by one-fifth of the Members present, so the yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device.

It was decided in the { Yeas 415
affirmative { Nays 2

¶12.6 [Roll No. 24]
YEAS—415

Abercrombie	Chambliss	Fowler
Ackerman	Clay	Frank (MA)
Aderholt	Clayton	Franks (NJ)
Allen	Clement	Frelinghuysen
Andrews	Clyburn	Frost
Archer	Coble	Gallegly
Army	Coburn	Gedjenson
Bachus	Collins	Gekas
Baird	Combest	Gephardt
Baker	Condit	Gibbons
Baldacci	Conyers	Gilchrest
Baldwin	Cook	Gillmor
Ballenger	Cooksey	Gilman
Barcia	Costello	Gonzalez
Barr	Cox	Goode
Barrett (NE)	Coyne	Goodlatte
Barrett (WI)	Cramer	Goodling
Bartlett	Crane	Gordon
Barton	Crowley	Goss
Bass	Cubin	Graham
Bateman	Cummings	Granger
Becerra	Cunningham	Green (TX)
Bentsen	Danner	Green (WI)
Bereuter	Davis (FL)	Greenwood
Berkley	Davis (VA)	Gutierrez
Berman	Deal	Gutknecht
Berry	DeFazio	Hall (OH)
Biggert	DeGette	Hall (TX)
Bilbray	Delahunt	Hansen
Bilirakis	DeLauro	Hastings (FL)
Bishop	DeLay	Hastings (WA)
Blagojevich	DeMint	Hayes
Bliley	Deutsch	Hayworth
Blumenauer	Diaz-Balart	Hefley
Blunt	Dickey	Herger
Boehlert	Dicks	Hill (MT)
Boehner	Dingell	Hilleary
Bonilla	Dixon	Hilliard
Bonior	Doggett	Hinojosa
Bono	Dooley	Hobson
Borski	Doolittle	Hoefel
Boswell	Doyle	Hoekstra
Boucher	Dreier	Holden
Boyd	Duncan	Holt
Brady (PA)	Dunn	Hooley
Brown (CA)	Edwards	Horn
Brown (FL)	Ehlers	Hostettler
Brown (OH)	Ehrlich	Houghton
Bryant	Emerson	Hoyer
Burr	English	Hulshof
Burton	Eshoo	Hunter
Buyer	Etheridge	Hutchinson
Callahan	Evans	Hyde
Calvert	Everett	Insee
Camp	Ewing	Istook
Campbell	Farr	Jackson (IL)
Canady	Fattah	Jackson-Lee
Cannon	Filner	(TX)
Capuano	Fletcher	Jefferson
Cardin	Foley	Jenkins
Carson	Forbes	John
Castle	Ford	Johnson (CT)
Chabot	Fossella	Johnson, E. B.

Johnson, Sam	Moran (KS)	Sherwood
Jones (NC)	Moran (VA)	Shimkus
Jones (OH)	Morella	Shows
Kanjorski	Murtha	Shuster
Kaptur	Myrick	Simpson
Kasich	Nadler	Sisisky
Kelly	Napolitano	Skeen
Kildee	Nethercutt	Skelton
Kilpatrick	Ney	Slaughter
Kind (WI)	Northup	Smith (MI)
King (NY)	Norwood	Smith (NJ)
Kingston	Nussle	Smith (TX)
Kleczka	Oberstar	Smith (WA)
Klink	Obey	Snyder
Knollenberg	Oliver	Souder
Kolbe	Ortiz	Spence
Kucinich	Ortiz	Spratt
Kuykendall	Ose	Stabenow
LaFalce	Oxley	Stark
LaHood	Packard	Stearns
Lampson	Pallone	Stenholm
Lantos	Pascrell	Strickland
Largent	Pastor	Stump
Larson	Payne	Stupak
Latham	Pease	Sununu
LaTourrette	Pelosi	Sweeney
Lazio	Peterson (MN)	Talent
Leach	Peterson (PA)	Tancredo
Lee	Petri	Tanner
Levin	Phelps	Tauscher
Lewis (CA)	Pickett	Tauzin
Lewis (GA)	Pitts	Taylor (MS)
Lewis (KY)	Pombo	Taylor (NC)
Linder	Pomeroy	Terry
Lipinski	Porter	Thomas
LoBiondo	Portman	Thompson (CA)
Lofgren	Price (NC)	Thompson (MS)
Lowey	Pryce (OH)	Thornberry
Lucas (KY)	Quinn	Thune
Lucas (OK)	Radanovich	Thurman
Luther	Rahall	Tiahrt
Maloney (CT)	Ramstad	Tierney
Maloney (NY)	Rangel	Toomey
Manzullo	Regula	Towns
Markey	Reynolds	Trafficant
Martinez	Riley	Turner
Mascara	Rivers	Udall (CO)
Matsui	Rodriguez	Udall (NM)
McCarthy (MO)	Roemer	Upton
McCarthy (NY)	Rogan	Velazquez
McCollum	Rogers	Vento
McCrery	Rohrabacher	Visclosky
McDermott	Ros-Lehtinen	Walden
McGovern	Rothman	Walsh
McHugh	Roukema	Wamp
McIntosh	Roybal-Allard	Waters
McIntyre	Royce	Watkins
McKeon	Ryan (WI)	Watt (NC)
McKinney	Ryun (KS)	Watts (OK)
McNulty	Sabo	Waxman
Meehan	Salmon	Weiner
Meek (FL)	Sanchez	Weldon (FL)
Meeks (NY)	Sandlin	Weldon (PA)
Menendez	Sanford	Weller
Metcalf	Sawyer	Wexler
Mica	Saxton	Whitand
Millender-	Scarborough	Whitfield
McDonald	Schaffer	Wicker
Miller (FL)	Schakowsky	Wilson
Miller, Gary	Scott	Wise
Miller, George	Sensenbrenner	Wolf
Minge	Serrano	Woolsey
Mink	Sessions	Wu
Moakley	Shadegg	Wynn
Mollohan	Shaw	Young (AK)
Moore	Shays	Young (FL)
	Sherman	

NAYS—2

Chenoweth

Paul
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Brady (TX)	Hinchey	Pickering
Capps	Kennedy	Reyes
Davis (IL)	Livingston	Rush
Engel	McInnis	Sanders
Ganske	Neal	
Hill (IN)	Owens	

So the bill was passed.

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

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

¶12.7 PROVIDING FOR THE
CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 436

Mr. SESSIONS, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 43):

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 436) to reduce waste, fraud, and error in Government programs by making improvements with respect to Federal management and debt collection practices, Federal payment systems, Federal benefit programs, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. Points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 303 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The bill shall be considered as read. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition on the basis of whether the Member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. The chairman of the Committee of the Whole may: (1) postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed question that follows another electronic vote without intervening business, provided that the minimum time for electronic voting on the first in any series of questions shall be 15 minutes. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

When said resolution was considered. After debate,

On motion of Mr. SESSIONS, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection and under the operation thereof, the resolution was agreed to.

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

¶12.8 PROVIDING FOR THE
CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 409

Mr. SESSIONS, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 75):

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 409) to improve the effectiveness and performance of Federal financial assistance programs, simplify Federal financial assistance application and reporting requirements, and improve the delivery of services to the public. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with.

General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. Each section of the bill shall be considered as read. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition on the basis of whether the Member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. The chairman of the Committee of the Whole may: (1) postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed question that follows another electronic vote without intervening business, provided that the minimum time for electronic voting on the first in any series of questions shall be 15 minutes. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

When said resolution was considered. After debate,

On motion of Mr. SESSIONS, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection and under the operation thereof, the resolution was agreed to.

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

¶12.9 ORDER OF BUSINESS— CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 436

On motion of Mr. HORN, by unanimous consent,

Ordered. That during consideration of H.R. 436 in the Committee of the Whole pursuant to House Resolution 43: (1) it may be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute (at the desk); (2) that the amendment in the nature of a substitute be considered as read; (3) that points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute for failure to comply with clause 4 of rule XXI and section 303 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 be waived; and (4) that any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the amendment in the nature of a substitute.

¶12.10 REDUCE WASTE, FRAUD, AND ERROR IN GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SESSIONS, pursuant to House Resolution 43 and rule XVIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 436) to reduce waste, fraud, and error in Government programs by mak-

ing improvements with respect to Federal management and debt collection practices, Federal payment systems, Federal benefit programs, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SESSIONS, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. GIBBONS as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SESSIONS, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. GIBBONS, Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 43, reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee.

The following amendment, reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, was agreed to:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Government Waste, Fraud, and Error Reduction Act of 1999”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Purposes.
- Sec. 3. Definition.
- Sec. 4. Application of Act.

TITLE I—GENERAL MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENTS

- Sec. 101. Improving financial management.
- Sec. 102. Improving travel management.

TITLE II—IMPROVING FEDERAL DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES

- Sec. 201. Miscellaneous corrections to subchapter II of chapter 37 of title 31, United States Code.
- Sec. 202. Barring delinquent Federal debtors from obtaining Federal benefits.
- Sec. 203. Collection and compromise of nontax debts and claims.

TITLE III—SALE OF NONTAX DEBTS OWED TO UNITED STATES

- Sec. 301. Authority to sell nontax debts.
- Sec. 302. Requirement to sell certain nontax debts.

TITLE IV—TREATMENT OF HIGH VALUE NONTAX DEBTS

- Sec. 401. Annual report on high value nontax debts.
- Sec. 402. Review by Inspectors General.
- Sec. 403. Requirement to seek seizure and forfeiture of assets securing high value nontax debt.

TITLE V—FEDERAL PAYMENTS

- Sec. 501. Transfer of responsibility to Secretary of the Treasury with respect to prompt payment.
- Sec. 502. Promoting electronic payments.
- Sec. 503. Debt services account.

SEC. 2. PURPOSES.

The purposes of this Act are the following:

- (1) To reduce waste, fraud, and error in Federal benefit programs.
- (2) To focus Federal agency management attention on high-risk programs.
- (3) To better collect debts owed to the United States.
- (4) To improve Federal payment systems.
- (5) To improve reporting on Government operations.

SEC. 3. DEFINITION.

As used in this Act, the term “nontax debt” means any debt (within the meaning of that term as used in chapter 37 of title 31, United States Code) other than a debt under

the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the Tariff Act of 1930.

SEC. 4. APPLICATION OF ACT.

No provision of this Act shall apply to the Department of the Treasury or the Internal Revenue Service to the extent that such provision—

- (1) involves the administration of the internal revenue laws; or
- (2) conflicts with the Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998, the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the Tariff Act of 1930.

TITLE I—GENERAL MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENTS

SEC. 101. IMPROVING FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT.

Section 3515 of title 31, United States Code, is amended—

- (1) in subsection (a)—
 - (A) by striking “1997” and inserting “2000”; and
 - (B) by inserting “Congress and” after “submit to”; and
- (2) by striking subsections (e), (f), (g), and (h).

SEC. 102. IMPROVING TRAVEL MANAGEMENT.

(a) LIMITED EXCLUSION FROM REQUIREMENT REGARDING OCCUPATION OF QUARTERS.—Section 5911(e) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence: “The preceding sentence shall not apply with respect to lodging provided under chapter 57 of this title.”

(b) USE OF TRAVEL MANAGEMENT CENTERS, AGENTS, AND ELECTRONIC PAYMENT SYSTEMS.—

(1) REQUIREMENT TO ENCOURAGE USE.—The head of each executive agency shall, with respect to travel by employees of the agency in the performance of the employment duties by the employee, require, to the extent practicable, the use by such employees of travel management centers, travel agents authorized for use by such employees, and electronic reservation and payment systems for the purpose of improving efficiency and economy regarding travel by employees of the agency.

(2) PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION.—(A) The Administrator of General Services shall develop a plan regarding the implementation of this subsection and shall, after consultation with the heads of executive agencies, submit to Congress a report describing such plan and the means by which such agency heads plan to ensure that employees use travel management centers, travel agents, and electronic reservation and payment systems as required by this subsection.

(B) The Administrator shall submit the plan required under subparagraph (A) not later than March 31, 2000.

(c) PAYMENT OF STATE AND LOCAL TAXES ON TRAVEL EXPENSES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of General Services shall develop a mechanism to ensure that employees of executive agencies are not inappropriately charged State and local taxes on travel expenses, including transportation, lodging, automobile rental, and other miscellaneous travel expenses.

(2) REPORT.—Not later than March 31, 2000, the Administrator shall, after consultation with the heads of executive agencies, submit to Congress a report describing the steps taken, and proposed to be taken, to carry out this subsection.

TITLE II—IMPROVING FEDERAL DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES

SEC. 201. MISCELLANEOUS CORRECTIONS TO SUBCHAPTER II OF CHAPTER 37 OF TITLE 31, UNITED STATES CODE.

(a) CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT.—Section 3716(h)(3) of title 31, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“(3) In applying this subsection with respect to any debt owed to a State, other than

past due support being enforced by the State, subsection (c)(3)(A) shall not apply.”

(b) DEBT SALES.—Section 3711 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking subsection (i).

(c) GAINSHARING.—Section 3720C(b)(2)(D) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking “delinquent loans” and inserting “debts”.

(d) PROVISIONS RELATING TO PRIVATE COLLECTION CONTRACTORS.—

(1) COLLECTION BY SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.—Section 3711(g) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(11) In attempting to collect under this subsection through the use of garnishment any debt owed to the United States, a private collection contractor shall not be precluded from verifying the debtor’s current employer, the location of the payroll office of the debtor’s current employer, the period the debtor has been employed by the current employer of the debtor, and the compensation received by the debtor from the current employer of the debtor.

“(12) In evaluating the performance of a contractor under any contract entered into under this subsection, the Secretary of the Treasury shall consider the contractor’s gross collections net of commissions (as a percentage of account amounts placed with the contractor) under the contract. The existence and frequency of valid debtor complaints shall also be considered in the evaluation criteria.

“(13) In selecting contractors for performance of collection services, the Secretary of the Treasury shall evaluate bids received through a methodology that considers the bidder’s prior performance in terms of net amounts collected under Government collection contracts of similar size, if applicable. The existence and frequency of valid debtor complaints shall also be considered in the evaluation criteria.”

(2) COLLECTION BY PROGRAM AGENCY.—Section 3718 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(h) In attempting to collect under this subsection through the use of garnishment any debt owed to the United States, a private collection contractor shall not be precluded from verifying the current place of employment of the debtor, the location of the payroll office of the debtor’s current employer, the period the debtor has been employed by the current employer of the debtor, and the compensation received by the debtor from the current employer of the debtor.

“(i) In evaluating the performance of a contractor under any contract for the performance of debt collection services entered into by an executive, judicial, or legislative agency, the head of the agency shall consider the contractor’s gross collections net of commissions (as a percentage of account amounts placed with the contractor) under the contract. The existence and frequency of valid debtor complaints shall also be considered in the evaluation criteria.

“(j) In selecting contractors for performance of collection services, the head of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency shall evaluate bids received through a methodology that considers the bidder’s prior performance in terms of net amounts collected under government collection contracts of similar size, if applicable. The existence and frequency of valid debtor complaints shall also be considered in the evaluation criteria.”

(3) CONSTRUCTION.—None of the amendments made by this subsection shall be construed as altering or superseding the provisions of title 11, United States Code, or section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

(e) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 3720A(h) of title 31, United States Code, is amended—

(1) beginning in paragraph (3), by striking the close quotation marks and all that follows through the matter preceding subsection (i); and

(2) by adding at the end the following: “For purposes of this subsection, the disbursing official for the Department of the Treasury is the Secretary of the Treasury or his or her designee.”

(f) CORRECTION OF REFERENCES TO FEDERAL AGENCY.—Sections 3716(c)(6) and 3720A(a), (b), (c), and (e) of title 31, United States Code, are each amended by striking “Federal agency” each place it appears and inserting “executive, judicial, or legislative agency”.

(g) INAPPLICABILITY OF ACT TO CERTAIN AGENCIES.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no provision in this Act, the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (chapter 10 of title III of Public Law 104-134; 31 U.S.C. 3701 note), chapter 37 or subchapter II of chapter 33 of title 31, United States Code, or any amendments made by such Acts or any regulations issued thereunder, shall apply to activities carried out pursuant to a law enacted to protect, operate, and administer any deposit insurance funds, including the resolution and liquidation of failed or failing insured depository institutions.

(h) CONTRACTS FOR COLLECTION SERVICES.—Section 3718 of title 31, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the first sentence of subsection (b)(1)(A), by inserting “, or, if appropriate, any monetary claim, including any claims for civil fines or penalties, asserted by the Attorney General” before the period;

(2) in the third sentence of subsection (b)(1)(A)—

(A) by inserting “or in connection with other monetary claims” after “collection of claims of indebtedness”;

(B) by inserting “or claim” after “the indebtedness”; and

(C) by inserting “or other person” after “the debtor”; and

(3) in subsection (d), by inserting “or any other monetary claim of” after “indebtedness owed”.

SEC. 202. BARRING DELINQUENT FEDERAL DEBTORS FROM OBTAINING FEDERAL BENEFITS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3720B of title 31, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“§ 3720B. Barring delinquent Federal debtors from obtaining Federal benefits

“(a)(1) A person shall not be eligible for the award or renewal of any Federal benefit described in paragraph (2) if the person has an outstanding nontax debt that is in a delinquent status with any executive, judicial, or legislative agency, as determined under standards prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury. Such a person may obtain additional Federal benefits described in paragraph (2) only after such delinquency is resolved in accordance with those standards.

“(2) The Federal benefits referred to in paragraph (1) are the following:

“(A) Financial assistance in the form of a loan (other than a disaster loan) or loan insurance or guarantee.

“(B) Any Federal permit or Federal license required by law.

“(b) The Secretary of the Treasury may exempt any class of claims from the application of subsection (a) at the request of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency.

“(c)(1) The head of any executive, judicial, or legislative agency may waive the application of subsection (a) to any Federal benefit that is administered by the agency based on standards promulgated by the Secretary of the Treasury.

“(2) The head of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency may delegate the waiver authority under paragraph (1) to the chief financial officer or, in the case of any Federal performance-based organization, the chief operating officer of the agency.

“(3) The chief financial officer or chief operating officer of an agency to whom waiver authority is delegated under paragraph (2) may redelegate that authority only to the deputy chief financial officer or deputy chief operating officer of the agency. Such deputy chief financial officer or deputy chief operating officer may not redelegate such authority.

“(d) As used in this section, the term ‘nontax debt’ means any debt other than a debt under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the Tariff Act of 1930.”

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 37 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section 3720B and inserting the following:

“3720B. Barring delinquent Federal debtors from obtaining Federal benefits.”

(c) CONSTRUCTION.—The amendment made by this section shall not be construed as altering or superseding the provisions of title 11, United States Code.

SEC. 203. COLLECTION AND COMPROMISE OF NONTAX DEBTS AND CLAIMS.

(a) USE OF PRIVATE COLLECTION CONTRACTORS AND FEDERAL DEBT COLLECTION CENTERS.—Paragraph (5) of section 3711(g) of title 31, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“(5)(A) Nontax debts referred or transferred under this subsection shall be serviced, collected, or compromised, or collection action thereon suspended or terminated, in accordance with otherwise applicable statutory requirements and authorities.

“(B) The head of each executive agency that operates a debt collection center may enter into an agreement with the Secretary of the Treasury to carry out the purposes of this subsection.

“(C) The Secretary of the Treasury shall—

“(i) maintain a schedule of private collection contractors and debt collection centers operated by agencies that are eligible for referral of claims under this subsection;

“(ii) maximize collections of delinquent nontax debts by referring delinquent nontax debts to private collection contractors promptly;

“(iii) maintain competition between private collection contractors;

“(iv) ensure, to the maximum extent practicable, that a private collection contractor to which a nontax debt is referred is responsible for any administrative costs associated with the contract under which the referral is made.

“(D) As used in this paragraph, the term ‘nontax debt’ means any debt other than a debt under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the Tariff Act of 1930.”

(b) LIMITATION ON DISCHARGE BEFORE USE OF PRIVATE COLLECTION CONTRACTOR OR DEBT COLLECTION CENTER.—Paragraph (9) of section 3711(g) of title 31, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) through (H) as clauses (i) through (viii);

(2) by inserting “(A)” after “(9)”;

(3) in subparagraph (A) (as designated by paragraph (2) of this subsection) in the matter preceding clause (i) (as designated by paragraph (1) of this subsection), by inserting “and subject to subparagraph (B)” after “as applicable”; and

(4) by adding at the end the following:

“(B)(i) The head of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency may not discharge a

nontax debt or terminate collection action on a nontax debt unless the debt has been referred to a private collection contractor or a debt collection center, referred to the Attorney General for litigation, sold without recourse, administrative wage garnishment has been undertaken, or in the event of bankruptcy, death, or disability.

“(i) The head of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency may waive the application of clause (1) to any nontax debt, or class of nontax debts if the head of the agency determines that the waiver is in the best interest of the United States.

“(iii) As used in this subparagraph, the term ‘nontax debt’ means any debt other than a debt under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the Tariff Act of 1930.”

TITLE III—SALE OF NONTAX DEBTS OWED TO UNITED STATES

SEC. 301. AUTHORITY TO SELL NONTAX DEBTS.

(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to provide that the head of each executive, judicial, or legislative agency shall establish a program of nontax debt sales in order to—

(1) minimize the loan and nontax debt portfolios of the agency;

(2) improve credit management while serving public needs;

(3) reduce delinquent nontax debts held by the agency;

(4) obtain the maximum value for loan and nontax debt assets; and

(5) obtain valid data on the amount of the Federal subsidy inherent in loan programs conducted pursuant to the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 (Public Law 93-344).

(b) SALES AUTHORIZED.—(1) Section 3711 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by inserting after subsection (h) the following new subsection:

“(1)(1) The head of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency may sell, subject to section 504(b) of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661c(b)) and using competitive procedures, any nontax debt owed to the United States that is administered by the agency.

“(2) Costs the agency incurs in selling nontax debt pursuant to this subsection may be deducted from the proceeds received from the sale. Such costs include—

“(A) the costs of any contract for identification, billing, or collection services;

“(B) the costs of contractors assisting in the sale of nontax debt;

“(C) the fees of appraisers, auctioneers, and realty brokers;

“(D) the costs of advertising and surveying; and

“(E) other reasonable costs incurred by the agency, as determined by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

“(3) Sales of nontax debt under this subsection—

“(A) shall be for—

“(i) cash; or

“(ii) cash and a residuary equity, joint venture, or profit participation, if the head of the agency, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Secretary of the Treasury, determines that the proceeds will be greater than the proceeds from a sale solely for cash;

“(B) shall be without recourse against the United States; and

“(C) shall transfer to the purchaser all rights of the United States to demand payment of the nontax debt, other than with respect to a residuary equity, joint venture, or profit participation under subparagraph (A)(ii), but shall not transfer to the purchaser any rights or defenses uniquely available to the United States.

“(3) This subsection is not intended to limit existing statutory authority of the head of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency to sell loans, nontax debts, or other assets.”

SEC. 302. REQUIREMENT TO SELL CERTAIN NONTAX DEBTS.

Section 3711 of title 31, United States Code, is amended further by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(j)(1)(A) The head of each executive, judicial, or legislative agency shall sell any nontax loan owed to the United States by the later of—

“(i) the date on which the nontax debt becomes 24 months delinquent; or

“(ii) 24 months after referral of the nontax debt to the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to section 3711(g)(1) of title 31, United States Code. Sales under this subsection shall be conducted under the authority in section 301.

“(B) The head of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Secretary of the Treasury, may exempt from sale delinquent debt or debts under this subsection if the head of the agency determines that the sale is not in the best financial interest of the United States.

“(2) The head of each executive, judicial, or legislative agency shall sell each loan obligation arising from a program administered by the agency, not later than 6 months after the loan is disbursed, unless the head of the agency determines that the sale would interfere with the mission of the agency administering the program under which the loan was disbursed, or the head of the agency, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Secretary of the Treasury, determines that a longer period is necessary to protect the financial interests of the United States. Sales under this subsection shall be conducted under the authority in section 301.

“(3) After terminating collection action, the head of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency shall sell, using competitive procedures, any nontax debt or class of nontax debts owed to the United States unless the head of the agency, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Secretary of the Treasury, determines that the sale is not in the best financial interests of the United States. Sales under this paragraph shall be conducted under the authority of subsection (1).

“(4)(A) The head of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency shall not, without the approval of the Attorney General, sell any nontax debt that is the subject of an allegation of or investigation for fraud, or that has been referred to the Department of Justice for litigation.

“(B) The head of an executive, judicial, or legislative agency may exempt from sale under this subsection any class of nontax debts or loans if the head of the agency determines that the sale would interfere with the mission of the agency administering the program under which the indebtedness was incurred.”

TITLE IV—TREATMENT OF HIGH VALUE NONTAX DEBTS

SEC. 401. ANNUAL REPORT ON HIGH VALUE NONTAX DEBTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the end of each fiscal year, the head of each agency that administers a program that gives rise to a delinquent high value nontax debt shall submit a report to Congress that lists each such debt.

(b) CONTENT.—A report under this section shall, for each debt listed in the report, include the following:

(1) The name of each person liable for the debt, including, for a person that is a company, cooperative, or partnership, the names of the owners and principal officers.

(2) The amounts of principal, interest, and penalty comprising the debt.

(3) The actions the agency has taken to collect the debt, and prevent future losses.

(4) Specification of any portion of the debt that has been written-down administratively or due to a bankruptcy proceeding.

(5) An assessment of why the debtor defaulted.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this title:

(1) AGENCY.—The term “agency” has the meaning that term has in chapter 37 of title 31, United States Code, as amended by this Act.

(2) HIGH VALUE NONTAX DEBT.—The term “high value nontax debt” means a nontax debt having an outstanding value (including principal, interest, and penalties) that exceeds \$1,000,000.

SEC. 402. REVIEW BY INSPECTORS GENERAL.

The Inspector General of each agency shall review the applicable annual report to Congress required in section 401 and make such recommendations as necessary to improve performance of the agency. Each Inspector General shall periodically review and report to Congress on the agency’s nontax debt collection management practices. As part of such reviews, the Inspector General shall examine agency efforts to reduce the aggregate amount of high value nontax debts that are resolved in whole or in part by compromise, default, or bankruptcy.

SEC. 403. REQUIREMENT TO SEEK SEIZURE AND FORFEITURE OF ASSETS SECURING HIGH VALUE NONTAX DEBT.

The head of an agency authorized to collect a high value nontax debt that is delinquent shall, when appropriate, promptly seek seizure and forfeiture of assets pledged to the United States in any transaction giving rise to the nontax debt. When an agency determines that seizure or forfeiture is not appropriate, the agency shall include a justification for such determination in the report under section 401.

TITLE V—FEDERAL PAYMENTS

SEC. 501. TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY TO SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY WITH RESPECT TO PROMPT PAYMENT.

(a) DEFINITION.—Section 3901(a)(3) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking “Director of the Office of Management and Budget” and inserting “Secretary of the Treasury”.

(b) INTEREST.—Section 3902(c)(3)(D) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking “Director of the Office of Management and Budget” and inserting “Secretary of the Treasury”.

(c) REGULATIONS.—Section 3903(a) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking “Director of the Office of Management and Budget” and inserting “Secretary of the Treasury”.

SEC. 502. PROMOTING ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS.

(a) EARLY RELEASE OF ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS.—Section 3903(a) of title 31, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by amending paragraph (1) to read as follows:

“(1) provide that the required payment date is—

“(A) the date payment is due under the contract for the item of property or service provided; or

“(B) no later than 30 days after a proper invoice for the amount due is received if a specific payment date is not established by contract;” and

(2) by striking “and” after the semicolon at the end of paragraph (8), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (9) and inserting “; and”, and by adding at the end the following:

“(10) provide that the Secretary of the Treasury may waive the application of requirements under paragraph (1) to provide for early payment of vendors in cases where an agency will implement an electronic payment technology which improves agency cash management and business practice.”

(b) AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT ELECTRONIC PAYMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to an agreement between the head of an executive agency and the applicable financial institution or institutions based on terms acceptable to the Secretary of the Treasury, the head of such agency may accept an electronic payment, including debit and credit cards, to satisfy a nontax debt owed to the agency.

(2) GUIDELINES FOR AGREEMENTS REGARDING PAYMENT.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall develop guidelines regarding agreements between agencies and financial institutions under paragraph (1).

SEC. 503. DEBT SERVICES ACCOUNT.

(a) TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO DEBT SERVICES ACCOUNT.—The Secretary of the Treasury may transfer balances in accounts established before the date of the enactment of this Act pursuant to section of 3711(g)(7) of title 31, United States Code, to the Debt Services Account established under subsection (b). All amounts transferred to the Debt Services Account under this section shall remain available until expended.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF DEBT SERVICES ACCOUNT.—Subsection (g)(7) of section 3711 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking the second sentence and inserting the following: "Any fee charged pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited into an account established in the Treasury to be known as the 'Debt Services Account' (hereinafter referred to in this section as the 'Account')."

(c) REIMBURSEMENT OF FUNDS.—Section 3711(g) of title 31, United States Code, is amended—

- (1) by striking paragraph (8);
(2) by redesignating paragraphs (9) and (10) as paragraphs (8) and (9), respectively; and
(3) by amending paragraph (9) (as redesignated by paragraph (2)) to read as follows:

"(9) To carry out the purposes of this subsection, including services provided under sections 3716 and 3720A, the Secretary of the Treasury may—

"(A) prescribe such rules, regulations, and procedures as the Secretary considers necessary;

"(B) transfer such funds from funds appropriated to the Department of the Treasury as may be necessary to meet liabilities and obligations incurred prior to the receipt of fees that result from debt collection; and

"(C) reimburse any funds from which funds were transferred under subparagraph (B) from fees collected pursuant to sections 3711, 3716, and 3720A. Any reimbursement under this subparagraph shall occur during the period of availability of the funds transferred under subparagraph (B) and shall be available to the same extent and for the same purposes as the funds originally transferred."

(d) DEPOSIT OF TAX REFUND OFFSET FEES.—The last sentence of section 3720A(d) of title 31, United States Code, is amended to read as follows: "Amounts paid to the Secretary of the Treasury as fees under this section shall be deposited into the Debt Services Account of the Department of the Treasury described in section 3711(g)(7) and shall be collected and accounted for in accordance with the provisions of that section."

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read a third time by title.

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SESSIONS, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. HORN demanded that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays, which demand was supported by one-fifth of the

Members present, so the yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device.

It was decided in the { Yeas 419 affirmative } Nays 1

¶12.11 [Roll No. 25] YEAS—419

- Abercrombie Deal
Ackerman DeFazio
Allen DeGette
Andrews Delahunt
Archer DeLauro
Army DeLay
Bachus DeMint
Baird Deutsch
Baker Diaz-Balart
Baldacci Dickey
Baldwin Dicks
Ballenger Dingell
Barcia Dixon
Barr Doggett
Barrett (NE) Dooley
Barrett (WI) Doolittle
Bartlett Doyle
Barton Dreier
Bass Duncan
Bateman Dunn
Becerra Edwards
Bentsen Ehlers
Bereuter Ehrlich
Berkley Emerson
Berman Engel
Berry English
Biggert Eshoo
Bilbray Etheridge
Bilirakis Evans
Bishop Everett
Blagojevich Ewing
Biley Farr
Blumenauer Fattah
Blunt Filner
Boehert Fletcher
Boehner Foley
Bonilla Forbes
Bonior Ford
Bono Fossella
Borski Fowler
Boswell Frank (MA)
Boucher Franks (NJ)
Boyd Frelinghuysen
Brady (PA) Frost
Brady (TX) Gallegly
Brown (CA) Ganske
Brown (FL) Gejdenson
Brown (OH) Gekas
Bryant Gephardt
Burr Gibbons
Burton Gilchrest
Buyer Gillmor
Callahan Gilman
Calvert Gonzalez
Camp Goode
Campbell Goodlatte
Canady Goodling
Cannon Gordon
Capuano Goss
Cardin Graham
Carson Granger
Castle Green (TX)
Chabot Green (WI)
Chambliss Greenwood
Chenoweth Gutierrez
Clay Gutknecht
Clayton Hall (OH)
Clement Hall (TX)
Clyburn Hansen
Coble Hastings (FL)
Coburn Hastings (WA)
Collins Hayes
Combust Hayworth
Condit Hefley
Conyers Heger
Cook Hill (IN)
Cooksey Hill (MT)
Costello Hillery
Cox Hilliard
Coyne Hinchey
Cramer Hinojosa
Crane Hobson
Crowley Hoeffel
Cubin Hoekstra
Cummings Holden
Cunningham Holt
Danner Hooley
Davis (FL) Horn
Davis (VA) Hostettler

- Moore
Moran (KS)
Moran (VA)
Murtha
Myrick
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal
Nethercutt
Ney
Norwood
Nussle
Oberstar
Obey
Olver
Ortiz
Ose
Owens
Oxley
Packard
Pallone
Pascrell
Pastor
Payne
Pease
Pelosi
Peterson (MN)
Peterson (PA)
Petri
PHELPS
Pickering
Pickett
Pitts
Pombo
Pomeroy
Porter
Portman
Price (NC)
Pryce (OH)
Quinn
Radanovich
Rahall
Ramstad
Rangel
Regula
Reynolds
Riley
Rivers
Rodriguez
Roemer
Rogan
Rogers
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Rothman
Roukema
Roybal-Allard
Royce
Ryan (WI)
Ryun (KS)
Sabo
Salmon
Sanchez
Sanders
Sandlin
Sanford
Sawyer
Saxton
Scarborough
Schaffer
Schakowsky
Scott
Sensenbrenner
Serrano
Sessions
Shadegg
Shaw
Shays
Sherman
Sherwood
Shimkus
Shows
Shuster
Simpson
Sisisky
Skeen
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (MI)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Smith (WA)
Snyder
Souder
Spence
Spratt
Stabenow
Stark
Stearns
Stenholm
Strickland
Stump
Stupak
Sununu

- NAYS—1
Paul
NOT VOTING—13
Aderholt
Capps
Davis (IL)
Livingston
Lowey
Martinez
McInnis
Menendez
Morella
Northup
Reyes
Rush
Weldon (PA)

So the bill was passed.
A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said bill was passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

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

¶12.12 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GIBBONS, pursuant to House Resolution 75 and rule XVIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 409) to improve the effectiveness and performance of Federal financial assistance programs, simplify Federal financial assistance application and reporting requirements, and improve the delivery of services to the public.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GIBBONS, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. PEASE as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. PEASE, Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 75, reported

the bill back to the House with sundry amendments adopted by the Committee.

The following amendments, reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, were agreed to:

Page 7, after line 23, insert the following:

(e) DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.—(1) Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Department of Housing and Urban Development shall develop and implement a plan that establishes policies and procedures regarding an applicant who has submitted an application for Federal financial assistance to the agency that includes a technical deficiency under which—

(A) the applicant shall be notified promptly of the deficiency and permitted to submit the appropriate information to correct the deficiency within 7 days of receipt of notice by the applicant of the deficiency, notwithstanding that the deadline for submission of an application has expired;

(B) the application shall continue to be considered by the agency during the period before the applicant is notified and the 7-day period during which the applicant is permitted to correct the deficiency; and

(C) if the applicant corrects the deficiency within the 7-day period, the agency shall continue to consider the application.

(2) A deficiency (including, but not limited to, a misfiling, error, or omission) may be considered technical for purposes of this subsection notwithstanding a material impact on the eligibility of an applicant or proposed activity for requested funding. A technical deficiency for purposes of this subsection does not include the failure to submit a substantially complete application by a deadline published in the Federal Register.

Page 6, line 2, insert "in a manner not inconsistent with the Government Paperwork Elimination Act (title XVII of Public Law 105-277)" after "agency".

Page 10, after line 5, insert the following:

(e) REPORT ON RECOMMENDED CHANGES IN LAW.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director shall submit to Congress a report containing recommendations for changes in law to improve the effectiveness and performance of Federal financial assistance programs.

Page 8, strike lines 6 and 7.

Page 8, line 8, strike "(A) a" and insert "(1)(A) A".

Page 11, after line 23, add the following:

SEC. 12. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

It is the sense of Congress that Federal agencies, in providing Federal financial assistance for the purpose of economic development, should focus primarily on communities with high poverty and unemployment rates.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read a third time by title.

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. HORN demanded that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays, which demand was supported by one-fifth of the Members present, so the yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device.

It was decided in the affirmative { Yeas 426
Nays 0

¶12.13 [Roll No. 26] YEAS—426

Abercrombie	DeLauro	Jackson-Lee
Ackerman	DeLay	(TX)
Aderholt	DeMint	Jefferson
Allen	Deutsch	Jenkins
Andrews	Diaz-Balart	John
Archer	Dickey	Johnson (CT)
Armey	Dicks	Johnson, E. B.
Bachus	Dingell	Johnson, Sam
Baird	Dixon	Jones (NC)
Baker	Doggett	Jones (OH)
Baldacci	Dooley	Kanjorski
Baldwin	Doolittle	Kaptur
Ballenger	Doyle	Kasich
Barcia	Dreier	Kelly
Barr	Duncan	Kennedy
Barrett (NE)	Dunn	Kildee
Barrett (WI)	Edwards	Kilpatrick
Bartlett	Ehlers	Kind (WI)
Barton	Ehrlich	King (NY)
Bass	Emerson	Kingston
Bateman	Engel	Kleczka
Becerra	English	Klink
Bentsen	Eshoo	Knollenberg
Bereuter	Etheridge	Kolbe
Berkley	Evans	Kucinich
Berman	Everett	Kuykendall
Berry	Ewing	LaFalce
Biggert	Farr	LaHood
Bilbray	Fattah	Lampson
Bilirakis	Filner	Lantos
Bishop	Fletcher	Largent
Blagojevich	Foley	Larson
Bliley	Forbes	Latham
Blumenauer	Ford	LaTourette
Blunt	Fossella	Lee
Boehkert	Fowler	Leach
Boehner	Frank (MA)	Lee
Bonilla	Franks (NJ)	Levin
Boniior	Frelinghuysen	Lewis (CA)
Bono	Frost	Lewis (GA)
Borski	Gallegly	Lewis (KY)
Boswell	Ganske	Linder
Boucher	Gejdenson	Lipinski
Boyd	Gekas	LoBiondo
Brady (PA)	Gephardt	Lofgren
Brady (TX)	Gibbons	Lowey
Brown (CA)	Gilchrest	Lucas (KY)
Brown (FL)	Gillmor	Lucas (OK)
Brown (OH)	Gilman	Luther
Bryant	Gonzalez	Maloney (CT)
Burr	Goode	Maloney (NY)
Burton	Goodlatte	Manzullo
Buyer	Goodling	Markey
Callahan	Gordon	Martinez
Calvert	Goss	Mascara
Camp	Graham	Matsui
Campbell	Granger	McCarthy (MO)
Canady	Green (TX)	McCarthy (NY)
Cannon	Green (WI)	McCollum
Capuano	Greenwood	McCrery
Cardin	Gutierrez	McDermott
Carson	Gutknecht	McGovern
Castle	Hall (OH)	McHugh
Chabot	Hall (TX)	McIntosh
Chambliss	Hansen	McIntyre
Chenoweth	Hastings (FL)	McKeon
Clay	Hastings (WA)	McKinney
Clayton	Hayes	McNulty
Clement	Hayworth	Meehan
Clyburn	Hefley	Meek (FL)
Coble	Herger	Meeks (NY)
Coburn	Hill (IN)	Menendez
Collins	Hill (MT)	Metcalf
Combest	Hillery	Mica
Condit	Hilliard	Millender-
Conyers	Hinchev	McDonald
Cook	Hinojosa	Miller (FL)
Cooksey	Hobson	Miller, Gary
Costello	Hoefl	Miller, George
Cox	Hoekstra	Minge
Coyne	Holden	Mink
Cramer	Holt	Moakley
Crane	Hooley	Mollohan
Crowley	Horn	Moore
Cubin	Hostettler	Moran (KS)
Cummings	Houghton	Moran (VA)
Cunningham	Hoyer	Morella
Danner	Hulshof	Murtha
Davis (FL)	Hunter	Myrick
Davis (VA)	Hutchinson	Nadler
Deal	Hyde	Napolitano
DeFazio	Inslee	Neal
DeGette	Istook	Nethercutt
Delahunt	Jackson (IL)	Ney

Northup	Royce	Tancredo
Norwood	Ryan (WI)	Tanner
Nussle	Ryun (KS)	Tauscher
Oberstar	Sabo	Tauzin
Obey	Salmon	Taylor (NC)
Oliver	Sanchez	Terry
Ortiz	Sanders	Thomas
Ose	Sandlin	Thompson (CA)
Owens	Sanford	Thompson (MS)
Oxley	Sawyer	Thornberry
Packard	Saxton	Thune
Pallone	Scarborough	Thurman
Pascarell	Schaffer	Tiahrt
Pastor	Schakowsky	Tierney
Paul	Scott	Toomey
Payne	Sensenbrenner	Towns
Pease	Serrano	Trafiacant
Pelosi	Sessions	Turner
Peterson (MN)	Shadegg	Udall (CO)
Peterson (PA)	Shaw	Udall (NM)
Petri	Shays	Upton
Phelps	Sherman	Velazquez
Pickering	Sherwood	Vento
Pickett	Shimkus	Visclosky
Pitts	Shows	Walden
Pombo	Shuster	Walsh
Pomeroy	Simpson	Wamp
Porter	Sisisky	Waters
Portman	Skeen	Watkins
Price (NC)	Skelton	Watt (NC)
Pryce (OH)	Slaughter	Watts (OK)
Quinn	Smith (MI)	Waxman
Radanovich	Smith (NJ)	Weiner
Rahall	Smith (TX)	Weldon (FL)
Riggs	Smith (WA)	Weldon (PA)
Rangel	Snyder	Weller
Regula	Souder	Wexler
Reynolds	Spence	Weygand
Riley	Spratt	Whitfield
Rivers	Stabenow	Wicker
Rodriguez	Stark	Wilson
Roemer	Stearns	Wise
Rogan	Stenholm	Wolf
Rogers	Strickland	Woolsey
Rohrabacher	Stump	Wu
Ros-Lehtinen	Stupak	Wynn
Rothman	Sununu	Young (AK)
Roukema	Sweeney	Young (FL)
Roybal-Allard	Talent	

NOT VOTING—7

Capps	McInnis	Taylor (MS)
Davis (IL)	Reyes	
Livingston	Rush	

So the bill was passed.

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

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

¶12.14 CLERK TO CORRECT ENGROSSMENT

On motion of Mr. HORN, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That in the engrossment of the foregoing bill the Clerk be authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, and cross references and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House.

¶12.15 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 669

Mr. DIAZ-BALART, by direction of the Committee on Rules, reported (Rept. No. 106-30) the resolution (H. Res. 83) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 669) to amend the Peace Corps Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 through 2003 to carry out that Act.

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

¶12.16 COMMITTEE RESIGNATION—MINORITY

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. EMERSON, laid before the House the

following communication, which was read as follows:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 17, 1999.

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

DEAR SPEAKER HASTERT: I am writing you today to respectfully request a leave of absence from my position as a member of the House Science Committee.

I am making this request so that I may better concentrate my efforts on my position as a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, where I am a ranking subcommittee member. Specifically, I would like my leave of absence to be temporary and to last for the duration of the 106th Congress. I also wish to retain my level of seniority on the Science Committee during my leave of absence. In addition, I have previously notified Minority Leader Gephardt and Ranking Member Brown of my intention to take a leave of absence from the committee.

I want to thank you for your attention to my request, and I hope that you will look upon it favorably. Should you have any concerns about this request, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Respectfully,
JAMES A. TRAFICANT, JR.,
Member of Congress.

By unanimous consent, the resignation was accepted.

¶12.17 COMMITTEE RESIGNATION— MINORITY

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. EMERSON, laid before the House the following communication, which was read as follows:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 18, 1999.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I am writing to formally express my desire to resign from the House Committee on Resources.

Thank you for your assistance.
Sincerely,

WILLIAM D. DELAHUNT.

By unanimous consent, the resignation was accepted.

¶12.18 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to Mr. REYES, for today and the balance of the week.

And then,

¶12.19 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mrs. JONES of Ohio, at 7 o'clock and 28 minutes p.m., the House adjourned.

¶12.20 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

Mr. DIAZ-BALART: Committee on Rules, House Resolution 83. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 669) to amend the Peace Corps Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 through 2003 to carry out that Act (Rept. No. 106-30). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. GOODLING: Committee on Education and the Workforce. H.R. 221. A bill to amend

the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to permit certain youth to perform certain work with wood products (Rept. No. 106-31). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 603. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to clarify the application of the Act popularly known as the "Death on the High Seas Act" to aviation incidents (Rept. No. 106-32). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

¶12.21 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma (for himself, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. TALENT, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. FROST, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. FORD, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mrs. BONO, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. DELAY, Mrs. CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. HORN, Mr. HILL of Montana, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. TERRY, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. WELLER, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. METCALF, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. PITTS, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. BUYER, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. COOK, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. NEY, Mr. GARY MILLER of California, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. MCHUGH, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. FORBES, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. SHOWS, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. OWENS, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, and Mr. COBURN):

H.R. 815. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the designation of renewal communities, to provide tax incentives relating to such communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Banking and Financial Services, Commerce, and the Budget, 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. COX:

H.R. 816. A bill to require a parent who is delinquent in child support to include his unpaid obligation in gross income, and to allow custodial parents a bad debt deduction for unpaid child support payments; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. EWING (for himself, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. MINGE, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. WELLER, and Mr. BEREUER):

H.R. 817. A bill to promote trade in United States agricultural commodities, livestock, and value-added products, and to prepare for future bilateral and multilateral trade negotiations; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on International Relations, and Agriculture, 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. TALENT (for himself, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. BAIRD, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.R. 818. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to authorize a pilot program for the implementation of disaster mitigation measures by small businesses; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. SHUSTER (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. GILCREST, and Mr. DEFazio):

H.R. 819. A bill to authorize appropriations for the Federal Maritime Commission for fiscal years 2000 and 2001; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SHUSTER (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. GILCREST, and Mr. DEFazio):

H.R. 820. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the Coast Guard, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 821. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require Medicaid coverage of disabled children, and individuals who became disabled as children, without regard to income or assets; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BAKER (for himself and Mr. KANJORSKI):

H.R. 822. A bill to modernize and improve the Federal Home Loan Bank System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. BAKER:

H.R. 823. A bill to modernize and improve the financial services industry; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, 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. BARCIA:

H.R. 824. A bill expressing the sense of the Congress that the Government of Poland should address the claims of Polish-Americans whose homes and properties were wrongfully expropriated under Poland's former totalitarian government; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. BEREUER (for himself, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. MANZULLO, and Mr. FALCOMA):

H.R. 825. A bill to set forth the policy of the United States with respect to Macau, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. DAVIS of Virginia (for himself, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. KUCINICH, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. FROST, and Mr. McNULTY):

H.R. 826. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for appropriate overtime pay for National Weather Service forecasters performing essential services during severe weather events, and to limit Sunday premium pay for employees of the National Weather Service to hours of service actually performed on Sunday; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Ms. DEGETTE (for herself, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. GORDON, Mr. KLINK, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. WYNN, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. LUTHER, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. GILMAN, and Mr. ENGEL):

H.R. 827. A bill to amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to improve the coverage of needy children under the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) and the Medicaid Program; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BARCIA (for himself, Mr. ROEMER, Mr. TERRY, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. NEY, Mr. MASCARA, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BALDACCI, and Mr. DINGELL):

H.R. 828. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to require that discharges from combined storm and sanitary sewers conform to the Combined Sewer Overflow Control Policy of the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. DEGETTE:

H.R. 829. A bill to designate certain lands in the State of Colorado as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. DINGELL (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. GORDON, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. RUSH, Mr. KLINK, Mr. WYNN, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. BONIOR, and Mr. SERRANO):

H.R. 830. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to the safety of food from foreign countries; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Ms. DUNN (for herself and Mr. DEFazio):

H.R. 831. A bill to amend the Incentive Grants for Local Delinquency Prevention Programs Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 through 2005, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. FROST, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. REYES, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. FORD, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. FILNER, Mr. BALDACCI, Ms. LEE, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. BOUCHER, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. COSTELLO, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. WYNN, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. GORDON, Mr. FALOMAVAEGA, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Ms. KILPATRICK, and Mrs. THURMAN):

H.R. 832. A bill to restore veterans tobacco-related illness benefits as in effect before the enactment of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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. GEKAS (for himself, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. FROST, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. DREIER, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mrs. BONO, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Ms. DUNN, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. RILEY, Mr. ROEMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. WYNN, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr.

DAVIS of Florida, and Mr. HALL of Texas):

H.R. 833. A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, 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. HEFLEY:

H.R. 834. A bill to extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut (for herself, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. CRANE, Mr. COYNE, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. HERGER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CAMP, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Ms. DUNN, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. ENGLISH, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. WELLER, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. McINNIS, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COOK, Mr. COX, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. DIXON, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. DREIER, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. EHRLICH, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. FALOMAVAEGA, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. FROST, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. HOLT, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. INSLEE, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KIND of Wisconsin, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. KUYKENDALL, Mr. LARSON, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. LUTHER, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. METCALF, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. NEY, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. ROEMER, Mr. ROGAN, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. SNYDER, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. WU, Mr. WYNN, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, and Mr. VENTO):

H.R. 835. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the research credit and to adjust the alternative incremental credit rates; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LUTHER (for himself and Mr. RAMSTAD):

H.R. 836. A bill to authorize the Consumer Product Safety Commission to issue a standard for bleacher safety; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. OLVER, Mr. STARK, Ms. PELOSI, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. DEFazio, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. ESHOO, Mrs. CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FROST, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. NADLER, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. FORD):

H.R. 837. A bill to meet the mental health and substance abuse treatment needs of in-

carcerated children and youth; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Commerce, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MORAN of Virginia (for himself, Mr. SALMON, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. WOLF, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. SHOWS):

H.R. 838. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow employers a credit against income tax for information technology training expenses paid or incurred by the employer, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 839. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to carry out a pilot program for restoration of urban watersheds and community environments in the Anacostia River watershed, District of Columbia and Maryland, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. PALLONE:

H.R. 840. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit the admission to the United States of nonimmigrant students and visitors who are the spouses and children of United States permanent resident aliens, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PASTOR (for himself, Mr. STUMP, Mr. HAYWORTH, and Mr. KOLBE):

H.R. 841. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and designated lands within or adjacent to the Gila Project, to the Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. REGULA (for himself, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. KLINK, Mr. NEY, Mr. SKELTON, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. WHITFIELD, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. MOLLOHAN, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. DEUTSCH, and Mr. SPRATT):

H.R. 842. A bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to eliminate disincentives to fair trade conditions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. RIVERS:

H.R. 843. A bill to amend the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century to correct a high priority highway project for Ann Arbor, Michigan; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SHAW (for himself, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. ENGLISH, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. WELLER, and Mr. CANADY of Florida):

H.R. 844. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a shorter recovery period for the depreciation of certain leasehold improvements; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. THURMAN (for herself, Mr. STARK, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mr. DAVIS of Florida):

H.R. 845. 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 require a health insurance issuer to notify participants and beneficiaries of impending termination of coverage resulting from the failure of a group health plan to pay premiums nec-

essary to maintain coverage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, and 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. WEYGAND (for himself, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. WATERS, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.R. 846. A bill to establish a child care provider scholarship program; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. WEYGAND (for himself and Mr. SHOWS):

H.R. 847. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make the dependent care tax credit refundable and to increase the amount of allowable dependent care expenses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CUNNINGHAM (for himself, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. STUMP, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. HILL of Montana, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. HERGER, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. HYDE, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. REYNOLDS, Mr. HORN, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. COX, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. WALSH, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. METCALF, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. SKEEN, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. GOODE, Mrs. BONO, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. BALDACCIO, Mr. ROEMER, Ms. DANNER, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. WOLF, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. BASS, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. WELLER, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. KUYKENDALL, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. OSE, Mr. SHERWOOD, Mr. ROGAN, Mr. TERRY, Mr. HAYES, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. JOHN, Mr. MASCARA, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. TANCREDO, Mrs. EMERSON, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. NEY, Mr. PEASE, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. SHOWS, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. REGULA, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. BUYER, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. ARCHER, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. CRANE, Mr. EHRlich, Mr. COOK, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. CALAHAN, Mr. QUINN, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. COBLE, Mr. LINDER, Mr. EWING, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. TURNER, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. REYES, Ms. GRANGER, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. GOSS, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. BOYD, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. CAMP, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. LOBIONDO,

Mrs. KELLY, Mr. KASICH, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. FROST, Mr. SALMON, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. RILEY, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. BAKER, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. PITTS, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. PASCARELL, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. FORBES, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. SIMPSON, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. MCINNIS, Mr. GORDON, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. COBURN, Mr. HOSTETTTLER, Mr. WYNN, Mr. WAMP, Mr. MOLLOHAN, Mr. TALENT, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. BOEHLER, Mr. DELAY, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GEKAS, Mr. CANNON, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. WICKER, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. SCHAFER, Mr. MICA, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. POMBO, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. WISE, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. LAMPSON, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. UPTON, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. NUSSLE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. HAYWORTH, Ms. DUNN, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. ROGERS, Mr. PICKETT, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. COLLINS, and Mr. MORAN of Virginia):

H.J. Res. 33. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. HOYER, Mr. WOLF, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. PORTER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. SALMON, and Mr. MARKEY):

H. Con. Res. 37. Concurrent resolution concerning anti-Semitic statements made by members of the Duma of the Russian Federation; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Ms. WOOLSEY (for herself, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. STARK, Mr. FALCOMA, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. FILNER, Mr. RUSH, Mr. TIERNEY, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. MCKINNEY, and Mr. BLUMENAUER):

H. Res. 82. A resolution recognizing the security interests of the United States in furthering complete nuclear disarmament; to the Committee on International Relations.

¶12.22 PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

Mr. ISTOOK introduced A bill (H.R. 848) for the relief of Sepandan Farnia and Farbod

Farnia; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

¶12.23 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 4: Mr. KASICH and Mr. BUYER.
 H.R. 44: Ms. KILPATRICK, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. NEY, and Mr. BRYANT.
 H.R. 58: Mr. SHOWS and Mr. CRAMER.
 H.R. 65: Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. MICA, and Mr. BRYANT.
 H.R. 111: Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. WAMP, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. EVANS, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. HOSTETTTLER, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. FROST, and Mr. BLUNT.
 H.R. 125: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. FROST, Mr. KILDEE, and Mr. RANGEL.
 H.R. 133: Mr. HYDE, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. NEY.
 H.R. 136: Mr. SHADEGG.
 H.R. 152: Mr. WATKINS, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, and Mr. SMITH of Washington.
 H.R. 163: Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. DOYLE, and Mr. INSLEE.
 H.R. 192: Mr. LINDER.
 H.R. 206: Mr. WEXLER, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, and Mr. INSLEE.
 H.R. 222: Mr. PHELPS.
 H.R. 237: Ms. DANNER, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. OXLEY, and Mr. SHOWS.
 H.R. 263: Mr. COYNE and Mr. WELLER.
 H.R. 303: Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. SMITH of Washington, and Mr. BRYANT.
 H.R. 318: Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. CANADY of Florida, and Mrs. FOWLER.
 H.R. 323: Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. HOLT, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. MCINNIS, Mr. GARY MILLER of California, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. WELLER, and Mr. WOLF.
 H.R. 351: Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. GORDON, Mr. WOLF, and Mr. ETHERIDGE.
 H.R. 352: Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. BAKER, Mr. HYDE, and Mr. LEACH.
 H.R. 354: Mr. BERMAN, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mrs. BONO, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. HALL of Ohio, and Mr. SHOWS.
 H.R. 357: Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. FALCOMA, Mr. DOOLEY of California, and Mr. THOMPSON of California.
 H.R. 371: Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. OLVER, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. MINGE, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Ms. WATERS, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Ms. LEE, Mr. GEKAS, Mr. FROST, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, and Mr. KLECZKA.
 H.R. 372: Mr. FATTAH.
 H.R. 384: Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. DIXON, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, and Mr. BURTON of Indiana.
 H.R. 408: Mr. LATHAM, Mr. POMBO, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. JOHN, Mr. TURNER, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. MICA, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. THUNE, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. PHELPS.
 H.R. 409: Mr. HORN, Mr. TURNER, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. BAKER, and Mr. DAVIS of Florida.

H.R. 423: Ms. GRANGER.
 H.R. 425: Mr. RAMSTAD.
 H.R. 430: Mr. FORD, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. GOODLATTE, and Mrs. CLAYTON.
 H.R. 434: Mr. DELAY, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, and Mr. DOOLITTLE.
 H.R. 448: Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. FOLEY, and Mr. BALLENGER.
 H.R. 483: Mr. NADLER, Mr. WYNN, Mr. FORD, and Mr. MICA.
 H.R. 500: Mr. CLEMENT.
 H.R. 504: Mr. ENGLISH.
 H.R. 506: Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. NADLER, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. LUTHER, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. GOODLING, and Mr. WHITFIELD.
 H.R. 516: Mr. SCHAFFER and Mr. LINDER.
 H.R. 548: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia and Mr. REYES.
 H.R. 555: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi.
 H.R. 557: Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Mr. EHRlich.
 H.R. 566: Mr. SANDLIN, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. WU.
 H.R. 571: Mr. HOSTETTler.
 H.R. 575: Mr. ISTOOK.
 H.R. 576: Mr. REGULA, Mrs. THURMAN, and Mr. FORD.
 H.R. 582: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts and Mr. CUMMINGs.
 H.R. 584: Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. EHRlich, and Mr. TRAFICANT.
 H.R. 599: Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. FILNER, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SHOWS, and Mr. TOWNS.
 H.R. 612: Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. ROTHMAN, and Mr. ALLEN.
 H.R. 623: Mr. STEARNS.
 H.R. 640: Mr. ETHERIDGE.
 H.R. 689: Mr. HAYWORTH and Mr. JEFFERSON.
 H.R. 700: Mrs. FOWLER and Mr. MCGOVERN.
 H.R. 716: Mr. GORDON, Mr. STARK, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. RAMSTAD, and Mr. BONILLA.
 H.R. 718: Mr. GOODLING, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, and Mr. PHELPS.
 H.R. 728: Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma and Mr. GOODE.
 H.R. 732: Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. STARK, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. DELAHUNT, and Ms. BALDWIN.
 H.R. 750: Mr. DOOLEY of California and Mr. CAMP.
 H.R. 756: Mr. SWEENEY and Mr. TIAHRT.
 H.R. 766: Mr. NETHERCUTT and Mr. SCHAFER.
 H.R. 767: Mr. NETHERCUTT and Mr. SCHAFER.
 H.R. 775: Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. GOODE, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. GOODLATTE, Ms. DUNN, Mr. RILEY, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. COOK, Mr. JOHN, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. HAYES, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. ROGAN, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. CANNON, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. NEY, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mrs. BONO, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. CHABOT.
 H.R. 783: Mr. McNULTY.
 H.R. 800: Mr. KOLBE, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, and Mr. KUYKENDALL.
 H.R. 808: Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. WATKINS, and Mr. GORDON.
 H.J. Res. 1: Mr. LINDER, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. SWEENEY, and Mr. SHOWS.
 H.J. Res. 9: Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. WELLER, Mr. NEY, and Mr. SCHAFFER.
 H.J. Res. 32: Mr. BURTON of Indiana.
 H. Res. 35: Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. REYES, Mr. PHELPS, Mr.

MARKEY, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. SHOWS, Ms. CARSON, Mr. BONIOR, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. HOEFFEL, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. LUTHER, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. ORTIZ, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1999 (13)

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

13.1 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, February 24, 1999.

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

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House agree to the Chair's approval of said Journal?

The SPEAKER announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. EHRlich objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

A quorum not being present, The roll was called under clause 4, rule XV, and the call was taken by electronic device.

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13.2 [Roll No. 27] YEAS—362

Abercrombie	Campbell	Emerson
Aderholt	Cannon	Engel
Allen	Capuano	Eshoo
Andrews	Cardin	Evans
Armey	Carson	Everett
Bachus	Castle	Ewing
Baird	Chabot	Farr
Baker	Chambliss	Fletcher
Baldacci	Chenoweth	Foley
Baldwin	Clayton	Forbes
Ballenger	Clement	Fossella
Barcia	Clyburn	Fowler
Barr	Coble	Frank (MA)
Barrett (NE)	Collins	Franks (NJ)
Barrett (WI)	Combest	Frelinghuysen
Bartlett	Condit	Frost
Barton	Cook	Gallely
Bass	Cooksey	Ganske
Bateman	Coyne	Gejdenson
Bentsen	Cramer	Gekas
Bereuter	Crowley	Gephardt
Berkley	Cubin	Gibbons
Berman	Cummings	Gilchrest
Berry	Cunningham	Gillmor
Biggert	Danner	Gilman
Bilbray	Davis (FL)	Gonzalez
Bilirakis	Davis (VA)	Goode
Blagojevich	Deal	Goodlatte
Bliley	DeGette	Gordon
Blumenauer	Delahunt	Goss
Blunt	DeLauro	Graham
Boehlert	DeLay	Granger
Boehner	DeMint	Green (TX)
Bonilla	Deutsch	Green (WI)
Bonior	Diaz-Balart	Greenwood
Bono	Dickey	Hall (OH)
Boswell	Dicks	Hall (TX)
Boucher	Dingell	Hansen
Boyd	Dixon	Hastings (WA)
Brady (TX)	Doggett	Hayes
Brown (OH)	Dooley	Hayworth
Bryant	Doolittle	Hefley
Burr	Dreier	Hill (IN)
Burton	Duncan	Hilleary
Buyer	Dunn	Hinchev
Callahan	Edwards	Hinojosa
Calvert	Ehlers	Hobson
Camp	Ehrlich	Hoefel

Hoekstra	McKeon	Scott
Holden	McKinney	Sensenbrenner
Holt	McNulty	Serrano
Hooley	Meehan	Sessions
Horn	Meek (FL)	Shadegg
Hostettler	Menendez	Shaw
Houghton	Metcaif	Shays
Hoyer	Mica	Sherman
Hulshof	Millender-	Sherwood
Hunter	McDonald	Shimkus
Hutchinson	Miller (FL)	Shows
Hyde	Miller, Gary	Shuster
Inslee	Miller, George	Simpson
Istook	Minge	Sisisky
Jackson (IL)	Mink	Skeen
Jackson-Lee (TX)	Mollohan	Skelton
Jefferson	Moore	Slaughter
Jenkins	Moran (VA)	Smith (MI)
John	Morella	Smith (NJ)
Johnson (CT)	Murtha	Smith (TX)
Johnson, E. B.	Myrick	Smith (WA)
Johnson, Sam	Nadler	Snyder
Jones (NC)	Napolitano	Souder
Jones (OH)	Neal	Spence
Kanjorski	Nethercutt	Spratt
Kaptur	Ney	Stabenow
Kelly	Northup	Stark
Kennedy	Norwood	Stearns
Kildee	Nussle	Strickland
Kilpatrick	Obey	Stump
Kind (WI)	Oliver	Sununu
King (NY)	Ortiz	Sweeney
Kingston	Ose	Talent
Kleczka	Owens	Tancredo
Klink	Oxley	Tanner
Knollenberg	Packard	Tauscher
Kuykendall	Pallone	Tauzin
LaFalce	Pascrell	Terry
LaHood	Paul	Thomas
Lampson	Pease	Thompson (CA)
Lantos	Peterson (PA)	Thornberry
Largent	Petri	Thune
Larson	Phelps	Thurman
Latham	Pickering	Tiahrt
LaTourette	Pitts	Tierney
Lazio	Pombo	Toomey
Leach	Pomeroy	Traficant
Levin	Porter	Turner
Lewis (CA)	Portman	Udall (CO)
Lewis (GA)	Price (NC)	Udall (NM)
Lewis (KY)	Pryce (OH)	Upton
Linder	Quinn	Velazquez
Lipinski	Radanovich	Vento
Livingston	Rahall	Walden
Lofgren	Regula	Walsh
Lowey	Reynolds	Wamp
Lucas (KY)	Riley	Watt (NC)
Lucas (OK)	Rivers	Watts (OK)
Luther	Rodriguez	Weiner
Maloney (CT)	Roemer	Weldon (FL)
Maloney (NY)	Rohrabacher	Weldon (PA)
Manzullo	Ros-Lehtinen	Wexler
Markey	Rothman	Weygand
Mascara	Roukema	Whitfield
Matsui	Ryan (WI)	Wicker
McCarthy (MO)	Ryun (KS)	Wilson
McCarthy (NY)	Sanchez	Wise
McCollum	Sanders	Wolf
McCrery	Sandlin	Woolsey
McGovern	Sanford	Wu
McHugh	Sawyer	Wynn
McInnis	Saxton	Young (FL)
McIntyre	Scarborough	
	Schakowsky	
		NAYS—28
Borski	Gutknecht	Ramstad
Brady (PA)	Hill (MT)	Sabo
Brown (CA)	Hilliard	Schaffer
Clay	Kucinich	Stupak
Costello	LoBiondo	Taylor (MS)
Crane	McDermott	Thompson (MS)
DeFazio	Moran (KS)	Viscosky
English	Oberstar	Waters
Filner	Peterson (MN)	
Ford	Pickett	
		ANSWERED "PRESENT"—2
Gutierrez	Stenholm	
		NOT VOTING—41
Ackerman	Cox	Kolbe
Archer	Davis (IL)	Lee
Becerra	Doyle	Martinez
Bishop	Etheridge	McIntosh
Brown (FL)	Fattah	Meeks (NY)
Canady	Goodling	Moakley
Capps	Hastings (FL)	Pastor
Coburn	Herger	Payne
Conyers	Kasich	Pelosi