

THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1999 (17)

¶17.1 APPOINTMENT OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
March 4, 1999.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOEL HEFLEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

¶17.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. HEFLEY, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, March 3, 1999.

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

¶17.3 COMMUNICATIONS

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

885. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a request to make available previously appropriated contingent emergency funds for the Department of Energy; (H. Doc. No. 106-35); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

886. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Uniform Criteria for State Observational Surveys of Seat Belt Use [Docket No. NHTSA-98-4280] (RIN: 2127-AH46) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

887. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a report on the status of efforts to obtain Iraq's compliance with the resolutions adopted by the U.N. Security Council, pursuant to Public Law 102-1, section 3 (105 Stat. 4); (H. Doc. No. 106-34); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

888. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a report on progress toward a negotiated settlement of the Cyprus question covering the period October 1 to November 30, 1998, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2373(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

889. A letter from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting a copy of his report for FY 1998 on each instance a federal agency did not fully implement recommendations made by the GAO in connection with a bid protest decided during the fiscal year, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3554(e)(2); to the Committee on Government Reform.

890. A letter from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting a report on General Accounting Office employees detailed to congressional committees as of January 22, 1999; to the Committee on Government Reform.

891. A letter from the Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting notification that funding under title V of the Stafford Act, as amended, will exceed \$5 million for the response to the emergency declared on September 28, 1998 as a result of Hurricane Georges, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5193; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

892. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Transport Category Airplanes

Equipped with Day-Ray Products, Inc., Fluorescent Light Ballasts [Docket No. 96-NM-163-AD; Amendment 39-11034; AD 99-04-10] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

893. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; International Aero Engines AG (IAE) V2500-A5/-D5 Series Turbofan Engines [Docket No. 98-ANE-08-AD; Amendment 39-11027; AD 99-04-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

894. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Pratt & Whitney JT9D Series Turbofan Engines [Docket No. 98-ANE-28-AD; Amendment 39-11029 AD 99-04-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

895. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment of Class E Airspace; Griffin, GA [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASO-26] received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

896. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Burlington, KS [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-45] received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

897. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class D and Class E Airspace; St. Joseph, MO [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-49] received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

898. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Saab Model SAAB SF340A and SAAB 340B Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-373-AD; Amendment 39-11031; AD 99-04-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

899. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29463; Amdt. No. 1914] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

900. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29464; Amdt. No. 1915] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

901. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29465; Amdt. No. 1916] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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

the Department's final rule—Revocation and Establishment of Restricted Areas; NV [Airspace Docket No. 98-AWP-27] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

903. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 727, 727-100, 727-200, 727C, 727-100C, and 727-200F Series Airplanes [Docket No. 99-NM-16-AD; Amendment 39-11047; AD 99-04-22] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

904. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc. Model 214ST Helicopters [Docket No. 98-SW-27-AD; Amendment 39-11037; AD 99-04-13] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

905. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Agusta S.p.A. Model A109K2 Helicopters [Docket No. 97-SW-57-AD; Amendment 39-11045; AD 99-04-20] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

906. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Removal of Class E Airspace; Anaconda, MT [Airspace Docket No. 98-ANM-16] received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

907. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation Model S-76C Helicopters [Docket No. 98-SW-81-AD; Amendment 39-11040; AD 99-01-09] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

908. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Schweizer Aircraft Corporation Model 269C-1 Helicopters [Docket No. 98-SW-39-AD; Amendment 39-11038; AD 99-04-14] received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

909. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Systems Model 369D, 369E, 369FF, 369H, MD500N, and MD600N Helicopters [Docket No. 97-SW-61-AD; Amendment 39-11036; AD 99-04-12] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

910. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Mexico, MO [Airspace Docket No. 99-ACE-4] received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

911. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a letter regarding funding the Executive Branch intends to make available from funding levels established in the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1999; jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations.

¶17.4 PROVIDING FOR THE
CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 707

Mr. GOSS, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 91):

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. 707) to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize a program for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, 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 Transportation and Infrastructure. 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 Transportation and Infrastructure now printed in the bill. The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered by title rather than by section. Each title 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. GOSS, 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.

¶17.5 DISASTER MITIGATION AND COST
REDUCTION ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOSS, pursuant to House Resolution 91

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. 707) to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize a program for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, and for other purposes.

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

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

When Mr. HEFLEY, Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 91, reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee.

The previous question having been ordered by said resolution.

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 "Disaster Mitigation and Cost Reduction Act of 1999".

**SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO ROBERT T. STAFFORD
DISASTER RELIEF AND EMERGENCY
ASSISTANCE ACT.**

Except as otherwise specifically provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision of law, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.).

**TITLE I—PREDISASTER HAZARD
MITIGATION**

SEC. 101. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) greater emphasis needs to be placed on identifying and assessing the risks to State and local communities and implementing adequate measures to reduce losses from natural disasters and to ensure that critical facilities and public infrastructure will continue to function after a disaster;

(2) expenditures for post-disaster assistance are increasing without commensurate reduction in the likelihood of future losses from such natural disasters;

(3) a high priority in the expenditure of Federal funds under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act should be to implement predisaster activities at the local level; and

(4) with a unified effort of economic incentives, awareness and education, technical assistance, and demonstrated Federal support, States and local communities will be able to increase their capabilities to form effective community-based partnerships for mitigation purposes, implement effective natural disaster mitigation measures that reduce the risk of future damage, hardship, and suffering, ensure continued functioning of critical facilities and public infrastructure, leverage additional non-Federal resources into meeting disaster resistance goals, and make commitments to long-term mitigation efforts in new and existing structures.

(b) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this title to establish a predisaster hazard mitigation program that—

(1) reduces the loss of life and property, human suffering, economic disruption, and

disaster assistance costs resulting from natural hazards; and

(2) provides a source of predisaster hazard mitigation funding that will assist States and local governments in implementing effective mitigation measures that are designed to ensure the continued functioning of critical facilities and public infrastructure after a natural disaster.

SEC. 102. STATE MITIGATION PROGRAM.

Section 201(c) (42 U.S.C. 5131(c)) is amended—

(1) by striking "and" at the end of paragraph (1);

(2) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (2) and inserting "and"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

"(3) set forth, with the ongoing cooperation of local governments and consistent with section 409, a comprehensive and detailed State program for mitigating against emergencies and major disasters, including provisions for prioritizing mitigation measures."

SEC. 103. DISASTER ASSISTANCE PLANS.

Section 201(d) (42 U.S.C. 5131(d)) is amended to read as follows:

"(d) GRANTS FOR DISASTER ASSISTANCE AND HAZARD IDENTIFICATION.—The President is authorized to make grants for—

"(1) not to exceed 50 percent of the cost of improving, maintaining, and updating State disaster assistance plans including, consistent with section 409, evaluation of natural hazards and development of the programs and actions required to mitigate such hazards; and

"(2) the development and application of improved floodplain mapping technologies that can be used by Federal, State, and local governments and that the President determines will likely result in substantial savings over current floodplain mapping methods."

SEC. 104. PREDISASTER HAZARD MITIGATION.

Title II (42 U.S.C. 5131–5132) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"SEC. 203. PREDISASTER HAZARD MITIGATION.

"(a) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—The President may establish a program to provide financial assistance to States and local governments for the purpose of undertaking predisaster hazard mitigation activities that are cost effective and substantially reduce the risk of future damage, hardship, or suffering from a major disaster.

"(b) PURPOSE OF ASSISTANCE.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), a State or local government that receives financial assistance under this section shall use the assistance for funding activities that are cost effective and substantially reduce the risk of future damage, hardship, or suffering from a major disaster.

"(2) DISSEMINATION.—The State or local government may use not more than 10 percent of financial assistance it receives under this section in a fiscal year for funding activities to disseminate information regarding cost effective mitigation technologies (such as preferred construction practices and materials), including establishing and maintaining centers for protection against natural disasters to carry out such dissemination.

"(c) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—The amount of financial assistance to be made available to a State, including amounts made available to local governments of such State, under this section in a fiscal year shall—

"(1) not be less than the lesser of \$500,000 or 1.0 percent of the total funds appropriated to carry out this section for such fiscal year; but

"(2) not exceed 15 percent of such total funds.

"(d) CRITERIA.—Subject to the limitations of subsections (c) and (e), in determining

whether to provide assistance to a State or local government under this section and the amount of such assistance, the President shall consider the following criteria:

“(1) The clear identification of prioritized cost-effective mitigation activities that produce meaningful and definable outcomes.

“(2) If the State has submitted a mitigation program in cooperation with local governments under section 201(c), the degree to which the activities identified in paragraph (1) are consistent with the State mitigation program.

“(3) The extent to which assistance will fund activities that mitigate hazards evaluated under section 409.

“(4) The opportunity to fund activities that maximize net benefits to society.

“(5) The ability of the State or local government to fund mitigation activities.

“(6) The extent to which assistance will fund mitigation activities in small impoverished communities.

“(7) The level of interest by the private sector to enter into a partnership to promote mitigation.

“(8) Such other criteria as the President establishes in consultation with State and local governments.

“(e) STATE NOMINATIONS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Governor of each State may recommend to the President not less than 5 local governments to receive assistance under this section. The recommendations shall be submitted to the President not later than October 1, 1999, and each October 1st thereafter or such later date in the year as the President may establish. In making such recommendations, the Governors shall consider the criteria identified in subsection (d).

“(2) USE.—

“(A) GENERAL RULE.—In providing assistance to local governments under this section, the President shall select from local governments recommended by the Governors under this subsection.

“(B) WAIVER.—Upon request of a local government, the President may waive the limitation in subparagraph (A) if the President determines that extraordinary circumstances justify the waiver and that granting the waiver will further the purpose of this section.

“(3) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO NOMINATE.—If a Governor of a State fails to submit recommendations under this subsection in a timely manner, the President may select, subject to the criteria in subsection (d), any local governments of the State to receive assistance under this section.

“(f) SMALL IMPOVERISHED COMMUNITIES.—For the purpose of this section, the term ‘small impoverished communities’ means communities of 3,000 or fewer individuals that are economically disadvantaged, as determined by the State in which the community is located and based on criteria established by the President.

“(g) FEDERAL SHARE.—Financial assistance provided under this section may contribute up to 75 percent of the total cost of mitigation activities approved by the President; except that the President may contribute up to 90 percent of the total cost of mitigation activities in small impoverished communities.

“(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 1999 and \$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2000.

“(i) AUTHORIZATION OF SECTION 404 FUNDS.—Effective October 1, 2000, in addition to amounts appropriated under subsection (h) from only appropriations enacted after October 1, 2000, the President may use, to carry out this section, funds that are appropriated to carry out section 404 for post-disaster mitigation activities that have not been obligated within 30 months of the dis-

aster declaration upon which the funding availability is based.

“(j) REPORT ON FEDERAL AND STATE ADMINISTRATION.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of the Disaster Mitigation and Cost Reduction Act of 1999, the President, in consultation with State and local governments, shall transmit to Congress a report evaluating efforts to implement this section and recommending a process for transferring greater authority and responsibility for administering the assistance program authorized by this section to capable States.”.

SEC. 105. INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE.

The President shall establish an interagency task force for the purpose of coordinating the implementation of the predisaster hazard mitigation program authorized by section 203 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. The Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall chair such task force.

SEC. 106. MAXIMUM CONTRIBUTION FOR MITIGATION COSTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 404(a) (42 U.S.C. 5170c(a)) is amended by striking “15 percent” and inserting “20 percent”.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to major disasters declared under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief Act and Emergency Assistance Act after January 1, 1997.

SEC. 107. CONFORMING AMENDMENT.

The heading for title II is amended to read as follows:

“TITLE II—DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND MITIGATION ASSISTANCE”.

TITLE II—STREAMLINING AND COST REDUCTION

SEC. 201. MANAGEMENT COSTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Title III (42 U.S.C. 5141-5164) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 322. MANAGEMENT COSTS.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law (including any administrative rule or guidance), the President shall establish by rule management cost rates for grantees and subgrantees. Such rates shall be used to determine contributions under this Act for management costs.

“(b) MANAGEMENT COSTS DEFINED.—Management costs include indirect costs, administrative expenses, associated expenses, and any other expenses not directly chargeable to a specific project under a major disaster, emergency, or emergency preparedness activity or measure. Such costs include the necessary costs of requesting, obtaining, and administering Federal assistance and costs incurred by a State for preparation of damage survey reports, final inspection reports, project applications, final audits, and related field inspections by State employees, including overtime pay and per diem and travel expenses of such employees, but not including pay for regular time of such employees.

“(c) REVIEW.—The President shall review the management cost rates established under subsection (a) not later than 3 years after the date of establishment of such rates and periodically thereafter.”.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—Section 322 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (as added by subsection (a) of this section) shall apply as follows:

(1) Subsections (a) and (b) of such section 322 shall apply to major disasters declared under such Act on or after the date of the enactment of this Act. Until the date on which the President establishes the management cost rates under such subsection, section 406(f) shall be used for establishing such rates.

(2) Subsection (c) of such section 322 shall apply to major disasters declared under such

Act on or after the date on which the President establishes such rates under subsection (a) of such section 322.

SEC. 202. ASSISTANCE TO REPAIR, RESTORE, RECONSTRUCT, OR REPLACE DAMAGED FACILITIES.

(a) CONTRIBUTIONS.—Section 406(a) (42 U.S.C. 5172(a)) is amended to read as follows:

“(a) CONTRIBUTIONS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The President may make contributions—

“(A) to a State or local government for the repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement of a public facility which is damaged or destroyed by a major disaster and for associated expenses incurred by such government; and

“(B) subject to paragraph (2), to a person who owns or operates a private nonprofit facility damaged or destroyed by a major disaster for the repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement of such facility and for associated expenses incurred by such person.

“(2) CONDITIONS FOR ASSISTANCE TO PRIVATE NONPROFIT FACILITIES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The President may make contributions to a private nonprofit facility under paragraph (1)(B) only if—

“(i) the facility provides critical services (as defined by the President) in the event of a major disaster; or

“(ii)(I) the owner or operator of the facility has applied for a disaster loan under section 7(b) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(b)); and

“(II) has been determined to be ineligible for such a loan; or

“(III) has obtained such a loan in the maximum amount for which the Small Business Administration determines the facility is eligible.

“(B) CRITICAL SERVICES DEFINED.—In this paragraph, the term ‘critical services’ includes, but is not limited to, power, water, sewer, wastewater treatment, communications, and emergency medical care.”.

(b) MINIMUM FEDERAL SHARE.—Section 406(b) (42 U.S.C. 5172(b)) is amended to read as follows:

“(b) MINIMUM FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of assistance under this section shall be not less than 75 percent of the eligible cost of repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement carried out under this section.”.

(c) LARGE IN-LIEU CONTRIBUTIONS.—Section 406(c) (42 U.S.C. 5172(c)) is amended to read as follows:

“(c) LARGE IN-LIEU CONTRIBUTIONS.—

“(1) FOR PUBLIC FACILITIES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In any case in which a State or local government determines that the public welfare would not be best served by repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing any public facility owned or controlled by such State or local government, the State or local government may elect to receive, in lieu of a contribution under subsection (a)(1)(A), a contribution of 75 percent of the Federal share of the Federal estimate of the cost of repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing such facility and of management expenses.

“(B) AREAS WITH UNSTABLE SOIL.—In any case in which a State or local government determines that the public welfare would not be best served by repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing any public facility owned or controlled by such State or local government because soil instability in the disaster area makes such repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement infeasible, the State or local government may elect to receive, in lieu of a contribution under subsection (a)(1)(A), a contribution of 90 percent of the Federal share of the Federal estimate of the cost of repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing such facility and of management expenses.

“(C) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds contributed to a State or local government under this paragraph may be used to repair, restore, or expand other selected public facilities, to construct new facilities, or to fund hazard mitigation measures which the State or local government determines to be necessary to meet a need for governmental services and functions in the area affected by the major disaster.

“(2) FOR PRIVATE NONPROFIT FACILITIES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In any case where a person who owns or operates a private nonprofit facility determines that the public welfare would not be best served by repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing such facility, such person may elect to receive, in lieu of a contribution under subsection (a)(1)(B), a contribution of 75 percent of the Federal share of the Federal estimate of the cost of repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing such facility and of management expenses.

“(B) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds contributed to a person under this paragraph may be used to repair, restore, or expand other selected private nonprofit facilities owned or operated by the person, to construct new private nonprofit facilities to be owned or operated by the person, or to fund hazard mitigation measures that the person determines to be necessary to meet a need for its services and functions in the area affected by the major disaster.

“(3) MODIFICATION OF FEDERAL SHARE.—The President shall modify the Federal share of the cost estimate provided in paragraphs (1) and (2) if the President determines an alternative cost share will likely reduce the total amount of Federal assistance provided under this section. The Federal cost share for purposes of paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not exceed 90 percent and shall not be less than 50 percent.”

(d) ELIGIBLE COST.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 406(e) (42 U.S.C. 5172(e)) is amended to read as follows:

“(e) ELIGIBLE COST.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—For the purposes of this section, the estimate of the cost of repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing a public facility or private nonprofit facility on the basis of the design of such facility as it existed immediately before the major disaster and in conformity with current applicable codes, specifications, and standards (including floodplain management and hazard mitigation criteria required by the President or by the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.)) shall be treated as the eligible cost of such repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement. Subject to paragraph (2), the President shall use the cost estimation procedures developed under paragraph (3) to make the estimate under this paragraph.

“(2) MODIFICATION OF ELIGIBLE COST.—In the event the actual cost of repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing a facility under this section is more than 120 percent or less than 80 percent of the cost estimated under paragraph (1), the President may determine that the eligible cost be the actual cost of such repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement. The government or person receiving assistance under this section shall reimburse the President for the portion of such assistance that exceeds the eligible cost of such repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement.

“(3) USE OF SURPLUS FUNDS.—In the event the actual cost of repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing a facility under this section is less than 100 percent but not less than 80 percent of the cost estimated under paragraph (1), the government or person receiving assistance under this section shall use any surplus funds to perform activities that are cost-effective and reduce the risk of

future damage, hardship, or suffering from a major disaster.

“(4) EXPERT PANEL.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of the Disaster Mitigation and Cost Reduction Act of 1999, the President, acting through the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, shall establish an expert panel, including representatives from the construction industry, to develop procedures for estimating the cost of repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing a facility consistent with industry practices.

“(5) SPECIAL RULE.—In any case in which the facility being repaired, restored, reconstructed, or replaced under this section was under construction on the date of the major disaster, the cost of repairing, restoring, reconstructing, or replacing such facility shall include, for purposes of this section, only those costs which, under the contract for such construction, are the owner's responsibility and not the contractor's responsibility.”

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by paragraph (1) shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act, and shall only apply to funds appropriated after the date of the enactment of this Act; except that paragraph (1) of section 406(e) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (as amended by paragraph (1) of this subsection) shall take effect on the date that the procedures developed under paragraph (3) of such section take effect.

(e) ASSOCIATED EXPENSES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 406 (42 U.S.C. 4172) is amended by striking subsection (f).

(2) OTHER ELIGIBLE COSTS.—Section 406(e) (42 U.S.C. 5172(e)), as amended by subsection (d) of this section, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(6) OTHER ELIGIBLE COSTS.—For purposes of this section, other eligible costs include the following:

“(A) COSTS OF NATIONAL GUARD.—The cost of mobilizing and employing the National Guard for performance of eligible work.

“(B) COSTS OF PRISON LABOR.—The costs of using prison labor to perform eligible work, including wages actually paid, transportation to a worksite, and extraordinary costs of guards, food, and lodging.

“(C) OTHER LABOR COSTS.—Base and overtime wages for an applicant's employees and extra hires performing eligible work plus fringe benefits on such wages to the extent that such benefits were being paid before the disaster.”

(3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Paragraphs (1) and (2) shall take effect on the date on which the President establishes management cost rates under section 322(a) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (as added by section 201(a) of this Act). The amendment made by paragraph (1) shall only apply to disasters declared by the President under such Act after the date on which the President establishes such cost rates.

SEC. 203. FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS AND HOUSEHOLDS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 408 (42 U.S.C. 5174) is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 408. FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS AND HOUSEHOLDS.

“(a) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Subject to the requirements of this section, the President, in consultation with the Governor of the affected State, may provide financial assistance, and, if necessary, direct services, to disaster victims who as a direct result of a major disaster have necessary expenses and serious needs where such victims are unable to meet such expenses or needs through other means. Under the preceding sentence, a victim shall not be denied assistance under subsections (c)(1), (c)(3), or (c)(4), solely on

the basis that the victim has not applied for or received any loan or other financial assistance from the Small Business Administration or any other Federal agency.

“(b) HOUSING ASSISTANCE.—

“(1) ELIGIBILITY.—The President may provide financial or other assistance under this section to individuals and families to respond to the disaster-related housing needs of those who are displaced from their predisaster primary residences or whose predisaster primary residences are rendered uninhabitable as a result of damage caused by a major disaster.

“(2) DETERMINATION OF APPROPRIATE TYPES OF ASSISTANCE.—The President shall determine appropriate types of housing assistance to be provided to disaster victims under this section based upon considerations of cost effectiveness, convenience to disaster victims, and such other factors as the President may consider appropriate. One or more types of housing assistance may be made available, based on the suitability and availability of the types of assistance, to meet the needs of disaster victims in the particular disaster situation.

“(c) TYPES OF HOUSING ASSISTANCE.—

“(1) TEMPORARY HOUSING.—

“(A) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—The President may provide financial assistance under this section to individuals or households to rent alternate housing accommodations, existing rental units, manufactured housing, recreational vehicles, or other readily fabricated dwellings.

“(ii) AMOUNT.—The amount of assistance under clause (i) shall be based on the fair market rent for the accommodation being furnished plus the cost of any transportation, utility hookups, or unit installation not being directly provided by the President.

“(B) DIRECT ASSISTANCE.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—The President may also directly provide under this section housing units, acquired by purchase or lease, to individuals or households who, because of a lack of available housing resources, would be unable to make use of the assistance provided under subparagraph (A).

“(ii) PERIOD OF ASSISTANCE.—The President may not provide direct assistance under clause (i) with respect to a major disaster after the expiration of the 18-month period beginning on the date of the declaration of the major disaster by the President, except that the President may extend such period if the President determines that due to extraordinary circumstances an extension would be in the public interest.

“(iii) COLLECTION OF RENTAL CHARGES.—After the expiration of the 18-month period referred to in clause (ii), the President may charge fair market rent for the accommodation being provided.

“(2) REPAIRS.—The President may provide financial assistance for the repair of owner-occupied private residences, utilities, and residential infrastructure (such as private access routes) damaged by a major disaster to a habitable or functioning condition. A recipient of assistance provided under this paragraph need not show that the assistance can be met through other means, except insurance proceeds, if the assistance is used for emergency repairs to make a private residence habitable and does not exceed \$5,000 (based on fiscal year 1998 constant dollars).

“(3) REPLACEMENT.—The President may provide financial assistance for the replacement of owner-occupied private residences damaged by a major disaster. Assistance provided under this paragraph shall not exceed \$10,000 (based on fiscal year 1998 constant dollars). The President may not waive any provision of Federal law requiring the purchase of flood insurance as a condition for the receipt of Federal disaster assistance

with respect to assistance provided under this paragraph.

“(4) PERMANENT HOUSING CONSTRUCTION.—The President may provide financial assistance or direct assistance under this section to individuals or households to construct permanent housing in insular areas outside the continental United States and other remote locations in cases in which—

“(A) no alternative housing resources are available; and

“(B) the types of temporary housing assistance described in paragraph (1) are unavailable, infeasible, or not cost effective.

“(d) TERMS AND CONDITIONS RELATING TO HOUSING ASSISTANCE.—

“(1) SITES.—Any readily fabricated dwelling provided under this section shall, whenever possible, be located on a site complete with utilities, and shall be provided by the State or local government, by the owner of the site, or by the occupant who was displaced by the major disaster. Readily fabricated dwellings may be located on sites provided by the President if the President determines that such sites would be more economical or accessible.

“(2) DISPOSAL OF UNITS.—

“(A) SALE TO OCCUPANTS.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a temporary housing unit purchased under this section by the President for the purposes of housing disaster victims may be sold directly to the individual or household who is occupying the unit if the individual or household needs permanent housing.

“(ii) SALES PRICE.—Sales of temporary housing units under clause (i) shall be accomplished at prices that are fair and equitable.

“(iii) DEPOSIT OF PROCEEDS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the proceeds of a sale under clause (i) shall be deposited into the appropriate Disaster Relief Fund account.

“(iv) USE OF GSA SERVICES.—The President may use the services of the General Services Administration to accomplish a sale under clause (i).

“(B) OTHER METHODS OF DISPOSAL.—

“(i) SALE.—If not disposed of under subparagraph (A), a temporary housing unit purchased by the President for the purposes of housing disaster victims may be resold.

“(ii) DISPOSAL TO GOVERNMENTS AND VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS.—A temporary housing unit described in clause (i) may also be sold, transferred, donated, or otherwise made available directly to a State or other governmental entity or to a voluntary organization for the sole purpose of providing temporary housing to disaster victims in major disasters and emergencies if, as a condition of such sale, transfer, or donation, the State, other governmental agency, or voluntary organization agrees to comply with the non-discrimination provisions of section 308 and to obtain and maintain hazard and flood insurance on the housing unit.

“(e) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ADDRESS OTHER NEEDS.—

“(1) MEDICAL, DENTAL, AND FUNERAL EXPENSES.—The President, in consultation with the Governor of the affected State, may provide financial assistance under this section to an individual or household adversely affected by a major disaster to meet disaster-related medical, dental, and funeral expenses.

“(2) PERSONAL PROPERTY, TRANSPORTATION, AND OTHER EXPENSES.—The President, in consultation with the Governor of the affected State, may provide financial assistance under this section to an individual or household described in paragraph (1) to address personal property, transportation, and other necessary expenses or serious needs resulting from the major disaster.

“(f) STATE ROLE.—The President shall provide for the substantial and ongoing involvement of the affected State in administering the assistance under this section.

“(g) MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE.—No individual or household shall receive financial assistance greater than \$25,000 under this section with respect to a single major disaster. Such limit shall be adjusted annually to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers published by the Department of Labor.

“(h) ISSUANCE OF REGULATIONS.—The President shall issue rules and regulations to carry out the program, including criteria, standards, and procedures for determining eligibility for assistance.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 502(a)(6) (42 U.S.C. 5192(a)(6)) is amended by striking “temporary housing”.

(c) ELIMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY GRANT PROGRAMS.—Title IV (42 U.S.C. 5170–5189a) is amended by striking section 411 (42 U.S.C. 5178).

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect on the 545th day following the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 204. REPEALS.

(a) COMMUNITY DISASTER LOANS.—Section 417 (42 U.S.C. 5184) is repealed.

(b) SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE.—Section 422 (42 U.S.C. 5189) is repealed.

SEC. 205. STATE ADMINISTRATION OF HAZARD MITIGATION PROGRAM.

Section 404 (42 U.S.C. 5170c) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(C) PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION BY STATES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—A State desiring to administer the hazard mitigation assistance program established by this section with respect to hazard mitigation assistance in the State may submit to the President an application for the delegation of such authority.

“(2) CRITERIA.—The President, in consultation with States and local governments, shall establish criteria for the approval of applications submitted under paragraph (1). The criteria shall include, at a minimum, the following:

“(A) The demonstrated ability of the State to manage the grant program under this section.

“(B) Submission of the plan required under section 201(c).

“(C) A demonstrated commitment to mitigation activities.

“(3) APPROVAL.—The President shall approve an application submitted under paragraph (1) that meets the criteria established under paragraph (2).

“(4) WITHDRAWAL OF APPROVAL.—If, after approving an application of a State submitted under paragraph (1), the President determines that the State is not administering the hazard mitigation assistance program established by this section in a manner satisfactory to the President, the President shall withdraw such approval.

“(5) AUDITS.—The President shall provide for periodic audits of the hazard mitigation assistance programs administered by States under this subsection.”.

SEC. 206. STATE ADMINISTRATION OF DAMAGED FACILITIES PROGRAM.

(a) PILOT PROGRAM.—In cooperation with States and local governments and in coordination with efforts to streamline the delivery of disaster relief assistance, the President shall conduct a pilot program for the purpose of determining the desirability of State administration of parts of the assistance program established by section 406 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5172).

(b) STATE PARTICIPATION.—

(1) CRITERIA.—The President may establish criteria in order to ensure the appropriate

implementation of the pilot program under subsection (a).

(2) MINIMUM NUMBER OF STATES.—The President shall conduct the pilot program under subsection (a) in at least 2 States.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall transmit to Congress a report describing the results of the pilot program conducted under subsection (a), including identifying any administrative or financial benefits. Such report shall also include recommendations on the conditions, if any, under which States should be allowed the option to administer parts of the assistance program under section 406 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5172).

SEC. 207. STUDY REGARDING COST REDUCTION.

Not later than 3 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a study to estimate the reduction in Federal disaster assistance that has resulted and is likely to result from the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 208. REPORT ON ASSISTANCE TO RURAL COMMUNITIES.

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall prepare and transmit to Congress a report on methods and procedures that the Director recommends to accelerate the provision of Federal disaster assistance under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.) to rural communities.

SEC. 209. STUDY REGARDING INSURANCE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE.

The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a study to determine the current and future expected availability of disaster insurance for public infrastructure eligible for assistance under section 406 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170).

SEC. 210. PUBLIC COMMENT REQUIREMENT.

Title III (42 U.S.C. 5141–5164) (as amended by section 201 of this Act) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 323. PUBLIC COMMENT REQUIREMENT.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall provide an opportunity for public comment before adopting any new or modified policy that would have a meaningful impact on the amount of disaster assistance that may be provided to a State or local government by the President under this Act.

“(b) RETROACTIVE APPLICATION OF POLICIES.—The Director may not adopt any new or modified policy that would retroactively reduce the amount of assistance provided to a State or local government under this Act.”.

TITLE III—MISCELLANEOUS

SEC. 301. TECHNICAL CORRECTION OF SHORT TITLE.

The first section (42 U.S.C. 5121 note) is amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

“This Act may be cited as the ‘Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act’.”.

SEC. 302. DEFINITION OF STATE.

Section 102 (42 U.S.C. 5122) is amended in each of paragraphs (3) and (4) by striking “the Northern” and all that follows through “Pacific Islands” and inserting “and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands”.

SEC. 303. FIRE SUPPRESSION GRANTS.

Section 420 (42 U.S.C. 5187) is amended by inserting “and local government” after “State”.

SEC. 304. BUY AMERICAN.

(a) COMPLIANCE WITH BUY AMERICAN ACT.—No funds authorized to be appropriated pursuant to this Act or any amendment made by this Act may be expended by an entity unless the entity, in expending the funds, complies with the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a et seq.).

(b) DEBARMENT OF PERSONS CONVICTED OF FRAUDULENT USE OF "MADE IN AMERICA" LABELS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency determines that a person has been convicted of intentionally affixing a label bearing a "Made in America" inscription to any product sold in or shipped to the United States that is not made in America, the Director shall determine, not later than 90 days after determining that the person has been so convicted, whether the person should be debarred from contracting under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.

(2) DEBAR DEFINED.—In this section, the term "debar" has the meaning given that term by section 2393(c) of title 10, United States Code.

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. NETHERCUTT, announced that the yeas had it.

Mrs. FOWLER 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 6, rule XX, and the call was taken by electronic device.

When there appeared { Yeas 415
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¶17.6 [Roll No. 33]
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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.

¶17.7 CONDOLENCES OF THE CONGRESS
ON THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE
MORRIS K. UDALL

On motion of Mr. KOLBE, by unanimous consent, the Committee on House Administration was discharged from further consideration of the following concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 40):

Whereas Morris King Udall served his Nation and his State of Arizona with honor and distinction in his 30 years as a Member of the United States House of Representatives;

Whereas Morris King Udall became an internationally recognized leader in the field of conservation, personally sponsoring legislation that more than doubled the National Park and National Wildlife Refuge systems, and added thousands of acres to America's National Wilderness Preservation System;

Whereas Morris King Udall was also instrumental in reorganizing the United States Postal Service, in helping enact legislation to restore lands left in the wake of surface mining, enhancing and protecting the civil service, and fighting long and consistently to safeguard the rights and legacies of Native Americans;

Whereas in his lifetime, Morris King Udall became known as a model Member of Congress and was among the most effective and admired legislators of his generation;

Whereas this very decent and good man from Arizona also left us with one of the most precious gifts of all—a special brand of wonderful and endearing humor that was distinctly his;

Whereas Morris King Udall set a standard for all facing adversity as he struggled against the onslaught of Parkinson's disease with the same optimism and humor that were the hallmarks of his life; and

Whereas Morris King Udall in so many ways will continue to stand as a symbol of all that is best about public service, for all that is civil in political discourse, for all that is kind and gentle, and will remain an inspiration to others: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Congress—

(1) has learned with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable Morris King Udall on December 12, 1998, and extends condolences to the Udall family, and especially to his wife Norma;

(2) expresses its profound gratitude to the Honorable Morris King Udall and his family for the service that he rendered to his country; and

(3) recognizes with appreciation and respect the Honorable Morris K. Udall's commitment to and example of bipartisanship and collegial interaction in the legislative process.

SECTION. 2. TRANSMISSION OF ENROLLED RESOLUTION.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit an enrolled copy of this Concurrent Resolution to the family of the Honorable Morris King Udall.

When said concurrent resolution was considered.

After debate,

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

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

¶17.8 ADJOURNMENT OVER

On motion of Mr. KOLBE, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, March 8, at 2 o'clock p.m.

¶17.9 HOUR OF MEETING

On motion of Mr. KOLBE, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Monday, March 8, 1999, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 1999, for "morning-hour debate".

¶17.10 CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS DISPENSED WITH

On motion of Mr. KOLBE, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That business in order for consideration on Wednesday, March 10, 1999, under clause 7, rule XV, the Calendar Wednesday rule, be dispensed with.

¶17.11 COMMITTEE RESIGNATION—MAJORITY

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY,
Washington, DC, February 25, 1999.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I hereby request a re-cession of my waiver to serve on three standing committees of the House and submit my withdrawal from the Judiciary Committee effective immediately.

Sincerely,

STEVE BUYER,
Member of Congress.

By unanimous consent, the resignation was accepted.

¶17.12 COMMISSION ON THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND MINORITIES IN SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER,
Washington, DC, March 4, 1999.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to section 5(a) of Public Law 105-255, I hereby appoint the following individual to the Commission on the Advancement of Women and Minorities in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development:

Dr. Jill Shapiro, Ph.D. of Tiburon, CA.

Yours Very Truly,

RICHARD A. GEPHARDT.

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

¶17.13 COMMITTEE RESIGNATION—MINORITY

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, March 3, 1999.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: As you may know, I have been appointed to serve on the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence by Minority Leader Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri.

I respectfully request a leave of absence from the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight for the duration of my service on the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. In accordance with the rules of the Democratic Caucus, I will retain my seniority on the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight during this period.

Sincerely,

GARY A. CONDIT,
Member of Congress.

By unanimous consent, the resignation was accepted.

¶17.14 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to Mrs. CHENOWETH, for today.

And then,

¶17.15 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. UNDERWOOD, pursuant to the special order heretofore agreed to, at 4 o'clock and 12 minutes p.m., the House adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday, March 8, 1999.

¶17.16 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, report of committee was delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 819. A bill to authorize appropriations for the Federal Maritime Commission for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 (Rept. No. 106-42). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

¶17.17 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. GILMAN (for himself and Mr. GEJDENSON):

H.R. 973. A bill to modify authorities with respect to the provision of security assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Arms Export Control Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. DAVIS of Virginia (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. HOYER, Mr. WYNN, Mr. HORN, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. EHRLICH, and Mr. MORAN of Virginia):

H.R. 974. A bill to establish a program to afford high school graduates from the District of Columbia the benefits of in-State tuition at State colleges and universities outside the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Govern-

ment Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. VISCLOSKEY (for himself, Mr. QUINN, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. NEY, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. KLINK, Mr. REGULA, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. WELLER, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. GEKAS, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. COYNE, Mr. BERRY, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. GOODLING, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. WISE, Mr. EHRLICH, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. MOLLOHAN, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. EVANS, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. ROEMER, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. ANDREWS, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. LARSON, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. DELAHUNT, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. FILNER, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. FORBES, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. SAWYER, and Mr. CANNON):

H.R. 975. A bill to provide for a reduction in the volume of steel imports, and to establish a steel import notification and monitoring program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ABERCROMBIE (for himself and Mrs. BONO):

H.R. 976. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase the amount of payment under the Medicare Program for pap smear laboratory tests; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FORBES:

H.R. 977. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish, and provide a checkoff for, a Biomedical Research Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 978. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to ensure that certain orders of the National Labor Relations Board are enforced to protect the rights of employees; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. STRICKLAND (for himself, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. HOLDEN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. WALSH, and Mr. COYNE):

H.R. 979. A bill to ensure that services related to the operation of a correctional facility and the incarceration of inmates are not

provided by private contractors or vendors and that persons convicted of any offenses against the United States shall be housed in facilities managed and maintained by Federal employees; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TALENT (for himself, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. ENGLISH, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. WISE, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mrs. CAPPS, Ms. DUNN, Mr. HULSHOF, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. SALMON, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. THUNE, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. HILL of Montana, Mr. PEASE, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. FROST, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. PITTS, Mr. FORBES, Mr. PAUL, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. MCINNIS, Mrs. BONO, Mr. GOODE, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. STUMP, Mr. FOLEY, and Mrs. MYRICK):

H.R. 980. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for 100 percent of the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KOLBE (for himself, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. STUMP, Mr. SALMON, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

H.R. 981. A bill to redesignate the Coronado National Forest in honor of Morris K. Udall, a former Member of the House of Representatives; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. GOODLATTE (for himself, Mr. GOODE, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. COX, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. COBURN, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. SHADDEG, Mr. MICA, Mr. GOSS, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. PAUL, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. SCHAFFER, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. DEMINT, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. SALMON, Mr. FORBES, and Mr. MCCOLLUM):

H.R. 982. A bill to prohibit the expenditure of Federal funds for the distribution of needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of illegal drugs; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BALDACCI (for himself, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. ALLEN, and Mr. DOYLE):

H.R. 983. A bill to amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Poultry Products Inspection Act to provide for improved public health and food safety through enhanced enforcement; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CRANE (for himself, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. RANGEL, and Mr. MATSUI):

H.R. 984. A bill to provide additional trade benefits to certain beneficiary countries in the Caribbean, to provide assistance to the countries in Central America and the Caribbean affected by Hurricane Mitch and Hurricane Georges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on International Re-

lations, Banking and Financial Services, the Judiciary, and Armed 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. GALLEGLY (for himself, Mr. METCALF, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. HERGER, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. WALSH, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. HOBSON, Ms. DANNER, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. BOYD, and Mr. SAXTON):

H.R. 985. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, concerning the treatment of certain aircraft as public aircraft; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. BARCIA (for himself, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. ROYCE, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. REYES, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. NEY, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. CLAY, Mrs. KELLY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. PASTOR, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. TURNER, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. FOLEY, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LUTHER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. KUYKENDALL, and Mr. SANDLIN):

H.R. 986. A bill to authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to John Walsh in recognition of his outstanding and enduring contributions to American society in the fields of law enforcement and victims' rights; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. DELAY, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. GOODE, Mr. PICKETT, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. BURN of North Carolina, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. TANNER, Mr. JOHN, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. CLEMENT, and Mr. GOODLING):

H.R. 987. A bill to require the Secretary of Labor to wait for completion of a National Academy of Sciences study before promulgating a standard or guideline on ergonomics; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. BOSWELL:

H.R. 988. A bill to provide for a comprehensive, coordinated effort to combat methamphetamine abuse, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. STRICKLAND):

H.R. 989. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to require that group and individual health insurance coverage and group health plans and managed care plans under the Medicare and Medicaid Programs provide coverage for hospital lengths of stay as determined by the attending health care provider in consultation with the patient; 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. BARTLETT of Maryland (for himself, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. DUNCAN, and Mr. MATSUI):

H.R. 990. A bill to provide for investment in private sector securities markets of amounts held in the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund for payment of benefits under title II of the Social Security Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. COSTELLO (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. NADLER, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. FROST, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. FORD, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. LIPINSKI, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. RUSH, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. WYNN, Mr. SABO, and Mr. KLECZKA):

H.R. 991. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act and other laws to apply the health insurance portability requirements applicable to group health plans to students covered under college-sponsored health plans; 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. DOOLITTLE:

H.R. 992. A bill to convey the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir to the El Dorado Irrigation District, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. DUNCAN:

H.R. 993. A bill to provide that of amounts available to a designated agency for a fiscal year that are not obligated in the fiscal year, up to 50 percent may be used to pay bonuses to agency personnel and the remainder shall be deposited into the general fund of the Treasury and used exclusively for deficit reduction; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. EHLERS:

H.R. 994. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the percentage of completion method of accounting shall not be required to be used with respect to contracts for the manufacture of property if no payments are required to be made before the completion of the manufacture of such property; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. EMERSON (for herself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. HULSHOF, and Mr. TALENT):

H.R. 995. A bill to provide a direct check for education; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ETHERIDGE (for himself, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. CARSON, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FROST, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. FORBES, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. GORDON, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. HINCHAY, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. BONIOR, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. EVANS, Mr. MEEHAN, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. OLVER, Mr. WEXLER, Mr.

BROWN of California, Ms. NORTON, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. INSLEE, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. PHELPS, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. GONZALEZ, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. HILL of Indiana, Mr. WEINER, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. WU, and Ms. BALDWIN):

H.R. 996. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a source of interest-free capital, in addition to that recommended in the President's budget proposal, for the construction and renovation of public schools in States experiencing large increases in public school enrollment; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GREENWOOD (for himself, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. FROST, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. HINCHHEY, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. SHOWS, Mrs. TAUSCHER, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 997. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the activities of the National Institutes of Health with respect to research on autism; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. HAYES:

H.R. 998. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an incentive for expanding employment in rural areas by allowing employers the work opportunity credit for hiring residents of rural areas; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BILBRAY (for himself, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. GILCHREST, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. KUYKENDALL, and Mr. SAXTON):

H.R. 999. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of coastal recreation waters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SHUSTER (for himself, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. OBERSTAR, and Mr. LIPINSKI):

H.R. 1000. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. HULSHOF (for himself, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. CRANE, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. HERGER, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. DUNN, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. WELLER, Mr. MCINNIS, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. PETRI, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. NEY, and Mr. TERRY):

H.R. 1001. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 4.3-cent motor fuel excise taxes on railroads and inland waterway transportation which remain in the general fund of the Treasury; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HUNTER (for himself, Mr. STUMP, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. SCHAFFER, Mrs. BONO, Mr. METCALF, Mr. POMBO, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. GARY MILLER of California, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. ISTOOK, and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska):

H.R. 1002. A bill to amend the Act popularly known as the Declaration of Taking Act to require that all condemnations of

property by the Government proceed under that Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. KAPTUR:

H.R. 1003. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise the filing deadline for certain claims under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. MANZULLO (for himself, Mr. MATSUI, and Mr. CRANE):

H.R. 1004. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow dentists and physicians to use the cash basis of accounting for income tax purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KING of New York (for himself, Mr. PAUL, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. HILLEARY, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. LAHOOD, and Mrs. ROUKEMA):

H.R. 1005. A bill to amend title 4, United States Code, to declare English as the official language of the Government of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MCCRERY (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. HOUGHTON, and Ms. DUNN):

H.R. 1006. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a prospective payment system for services furnished by psychiatric hospitals under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. MEEK of Florida:

H.R. 1007. A bill to adjust the immigration status of certain Honduran nationals who are in the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. METCALF (for himself, Mr. STUMP, Mr. EVANS, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. QUINN, Mr. FILNER, and Ms. BROWN of Florida):

H.R. 1008. A bill to require that a portion of the amounts made available for housing programs for the homeless be used for activities designed to serve primarily homeless veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. MILLER of Florida:

H.R. 1009. A bill to authorize the awarding of grants to cities, counties, tribal organizations, and certain other entities for the purpose of improving public participation in the 2000 decennial census; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. MILLER of Florida:

H.R. 1010. A bill to improve participation in the 2000 decennial census by increasing the amounts available to the Bureau of the Census for marketing, promotion, and outreach; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. TIERNEY, and Mr. OLVER):

H.R. 1011. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income the value of certain real property tax reduction vouchers received by senior citizens who provide volunteer services under a State program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NORWOOD (for himself, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. PAUL, Mr. SCHAFFER, and Mr. TALENT):

H.R. 1012. A bill to provide for the creation of an additional category of laborers or mechanics known as helpers under the Davis-Bacon Act; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. PETRI:

H.R. 1013. A bill to require that employers offering benefits to associates of its employees who are not spouses or dependents of the employees not discriminate on the basis of the nature of the relationship between the employee and the designated associates; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. PICKETT:

H.R. 1014. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the exclusion for employer-provided educational assistance; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD (for herself, Mr. SHOWS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. FROST, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. WYNN, Ms. LEE, Mr. STARK, Mr. KLECZKA, and Mr. FILNER):

H.R. 1015. A bill to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to allow any consumer to receive a free credit report annually from any consumer reporting agency; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin:

H.R. 1016. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to allow the projected on-budget surplus for any fiscal year to be used for tax cuts; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. SCHAFFER:

H.R. 1017. A bill to provide for budgetary reform by requiring a balanced Federal budget and the repayment of the national debt; to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SHADEGG (for himself, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. SALMON, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. COBURN, Mr. STUMP, Mr. PAUL, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mrs. MYRICK, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. METCALF, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. DOOLITTLE, and Mr. FOLEY):

H.R. 1018. A bill to require Congress to specify the source of authority under the United States Constitution for the enactment of laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SKEEN:

H.R. 1019. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey lands and interests comprising the Carlsbad Irrigation Project to the Carlsbad Irrigation District, New Mexico; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. SNYDER (for himself, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FILNER, Ms. CARSON, Mr. MINGE, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, and Mr. WELDON of Florida):

H.R. 1020. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a presumption of service connection for the occurrence of hepatitis C in certain veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. CAMP, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. GEJDENSON, and Mr. FALEOMAVEAGA):

H.R. 1021. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow small employers a

credit against income tax for costs incurred in establishing a qualified employer plan; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. UNDERWOOD (for himself, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, and Mr. FALDOMAVAEGA):

H.R. 1022. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to make grants to States to correct Y2K problems in computers that are used to administer State and local government programs; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. PICKETT:

H.J. Res. 36. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to restrict annual deficits by limiting the public debt of the United States and requiring a favorable vote of the people on any law to exceed such limits; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PICKETT:

H. Con. Res. 41. Concurrent resolution to express the sense of the Congress that the Bureau of Labor Statistics should develop and publish monthly a cost of living index; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. DIXON, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. OWENS, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. PAYNE):

H. Res. 97. A resolution calling upon Haiti's political leaders to seek agreement on transparent, free, and widely participatory elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin (for himself and Mr. SWEENEY):

H. Res. 98. A resolution amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require that concurrent resolutions on the budget not carry an estimated deficit for the budget year or for any outyear; to the Committee on Rules.

17.18 PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. METCALF:

H.R. 1023. A bill for the relief of Richard W. Schaffert; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PORTER:

H.R. 1024. A bill for the relief of Edwardo Reyes and Dianelita Reyes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SUNUNU:

H.R. 1025. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the fisheries for each of 3 vessels; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania:

H.R. 1026. A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of self-tapping screws; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

17.19 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS TO PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

H.R. 3: Mr. TIAHRT and Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

H.R. 5: Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. HERGER, Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. SCHAFFER, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. FORBES, Mr. EHRlich, Mr. FOSSELLA, and Mr. PETRI.

H.R. 8: Mr. SHERWOOD, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. FORD, and Mr. SHUSTER.

H.R. 19: Mr. LAHOOD.

H.R. 70: Mrs. CLAYTON and Mr. BOEHLERT.

H.R. 72: Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. GALLEGLY, and Mrs. MYRICK.

H.R. 73: Mr. LINDER and Mr. GREENWOOD.

H.R. 111: Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. FORBES, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, and Mr. DEAL of Georgia.

H.R. 119: Mr. GOODLING.

H.R. 152: Mr. BEREUTER and Mr. HOUGHTON.

H.R. 163: Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. HALL of Texas, and Mr. NEY.

H.R. 208: Mr. PASTOR.

H.R. 222: Mr. NORWOOD.

H.R. 225: Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. SUNUNU, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. TERRY, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. GRAHAM, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Ms. DUNN.

H.R. 226: Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. MOORE, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. GONZALEZ.

H.R. 227: Mr. PETRI, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. MINGE, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. LANTOS, and Mr. LUTHER.

H.R. 261: Mr. BLAGOJEVICH.

H.R. 353: Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. FORD, Mr. FALDOMAVAEGA, and Mr. SANDLIN.

H.R. 357: Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. KILDEE, and Mrs. CAPPs.

H.R. 363: Mr. SCARBOROUGH.

H.R. 380: Mr. SHERWOOD, Mr. MASCARA, and Mrs. LOWEY.

H.R. 381: Mr. STARK and Mr. EHLERS.

H.R. 392: Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. PHELPS, and Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 405: Mr. LOBIONDO.

H.R. 415: Mr. PASTOR.

H.R. 449: Mr. KLINK.

H.R. 455: Mr. LAMPSON, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. OBERSTAR, and Mr. MEEHAN.

H.R. 500: Mr. SMITH of Washington and Mr. STRICKLAND.

H.R. 506: Mr. SERRANO.

H.R. 537: Mr. GOSS.

H.R. 541: Mr. RANGEL, Mr. SANDLIN, and Mr. CONYERS.

H.R. 544: Mr. FALDOMAVAEGA and Mr. HINCHEY.

H.R. 555: Mr. BONIOR, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. FILNER, Ms. BROWN of Florida, and Mrs. CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN.

H.R. 561: Mr. HYDE.

H.R. 573: Mr. CASTLE, Mr. KILDEE, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. FALDOMAVAEGA, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. UPTON, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. LAFALCE, and Mr. BUYER.

H.R. 586: Mr. PAUL, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. SANDLIN, and Mr. FALDOMAVAEGA.

H.R. 590: Mrs. KELLY.

H.R. 597: Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. OWENS, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. FILNER, Ms. RIVERS, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. FOLEY, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. CAPPs, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. FALDOMAVAEGA, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. KOLBE, Mrs. MORELLA, and Mr. TOWNS.

H.R. 599: Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. FOLEY, and Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 601: Mr. PICKETT.

H.R. 606: Mr. BILIRAKIS.

H.R. 614: Mr. PAUL.

H.R. 621: Mr. BOUCHER.

H.R. 625: Mr. STRICKLAND.

H.R. 639: Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. LAHOOD, and Mr. BARR of Georgia.

H.R. 648: Mr. SHOWS and Mr. FORBES.

H.R. 664: Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. GOODE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. DIXON, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. JOHN, and Mr. KILDEE.

H.R. 679: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. VENTO, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. MINGE, and Ms. MCKINNEY.

H.R. 680: Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, and Mr. SENSENBRENNER.

H.R. 688: Mr. PAUL, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. RAHALL, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. HEFLEY, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. GOSS, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. SCHAFFER, Mr. FOSSELLA, and Mr. NEY.

H.R. 691: Mr. GIBBONS.

H.R. 693: Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. HILL of Montana, and Mrs. CUBIN.

H.R. 701: Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. HAYES, Mr. GORDON, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, and Mr. GONZALEZ.

H.R. 710: Mr. STEARNS, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. MINGE, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. BUYER, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. HILL of Indiana, Mr. WHITFIELD, and Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 716: Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut.

H.R. 730: Mr. VISCLOSKEY, Mr. STUPAK, and Mr. BERMAN.

H.R. 739: Mr. UPTON, Mr. FROST, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. PETRI.

H.R. 741: Mr. FORBES.

H.R. 750: Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. JEFFERSON, and Mr. KIND of Wisconsin.

H.R. 754: Mr. DOYLE, Mr. KILDEE, and Mrs. MYRICK.

H.R. 763: Ms. BALDWIN.

H.R. 793: Mr. PETRI.

H.R. 800: Mr. MCKEON, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. SHERMAN, Mrs. MYRICK, and Mr. PORTMAN.

H.R. 804: Mr. PAUL.

H.R. 808: Mr. FOLEY.

H.R. 817: Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. SHOWS, and Mr. LEACH.

H.R. 832: Mr. CAPUANO and Mr. KUCINICH.

H.R. 833: Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. BUYER, Mrs. CAPPs, Mr. EHRlich, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. SUNUNU, and Mr. TALENT.

H.R. 845: Mr. KLECZKA and Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California.

H.R. 851: Mr. SANDERS, Mr. EWING, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. BEREUTER, Mrs. WILSON, Mr. TURNER, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. SAWYER, Mrs. CAPPs, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. MCINNIS, Mr. BASS, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. COLLINS, and Mr. TIERNEY.

H.R. 860: Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. VENTO, and Mr. DELAHUNT.

H.R. 864: Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. WELLER, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mrs. CAPPs, Mr. RILEY, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. CAMP, Mr. UPTON, Ms. DANNER, Mr. HILL of Montana, Mr. HAYES, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. DICKS, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. WOLF, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. METCALF, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. LARSON, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. WAMP, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. JENKINS, and Mr. BALLENGER.

H.R. 872: Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. FILNER, Mr. KUCINICH, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

H.R. 876: Mr. FOLEY and Mrs. EMERSON.

H.R. 883: Mr. FORBES, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. COOK, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mr. COLLINS.

H.R. 894: Mr. GOODLING, Mr. CONDIT, and Mr. SHOWS.

H.R. 901: Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut.

H.R. 922: Mr. RILEY, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Mr. LAHOOD.

H.R. 927: Mr. HERGER and Mr. PETRI.

H.J. Res. 9: Mr. MICA and Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania.

H.J. Res. 22: Ms. STABENOW and Mr. BONIOR.

H.J. Res. 25: Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. SCHAFER, Mr. METCALF, Mr. FROST, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. CALVERT, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. MOORE, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. FORBES, Mr. UNDERWOOD, and Mr. BALDACCIO.

H. Con. Res. 5: Mr. BONIOR, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. WYNN, and Mr. LAMPSON.

H. Con. Res. 5: Ms. LOFGREN.

H. Con. Res. 23: Mr. PICKERING, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. STUMP, Mr. FILNER, and Mr. GUTIERREZ.

H. Con. Res. 24: Mr. CHABOT, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. SHERWOOD, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BOEHNER, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. KLECZKA, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. DICKS, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. PASCRELL, and Mr. ROGERS.

H. Con. Res. 25: Mrs. NORTHUP.

H. Con. Res. 30: Mr. GIBBONS.

H. Con. Res. 31: Mr. KING of New York, Mr. GONZALEZ, and Mr. GIBBONS.

H. Con. Res. 34: Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Ms. PELOSI, and Mr. STRICKLAND.

H. Res. 41: Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. NEY, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mrs. WILSON.

H. Res. 89: Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, and Mr. FROST.

¶17.20 DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsor was deleted from the public bill as follows:

H.R. 863: Ms. WOOLSEY.

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1999 (18)

¶18.1 APPOINTMENT OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
March 8, 1999.

I hereby appoint the Honorable FRED UPTON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

¶18.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. UPTON, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, March 4, 1999.

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

¶18.3 COMMUNICATIONS

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

912. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Formic Acid; Tolerance Exemptions [OPP300451A; FRL-5600-4] received February 17, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

913. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a request

for emergency funds that will support the District of Columbia and the Department of the Interior, pursuant to Public Law 105-277; (H. Doc. No. 106-36); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

914. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting certifying that the current Future Years Defense Program fully funds the support costs associated with the Medium Tactical Vehicle Replacement Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

915. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting a project plan for the Department of Defense Civilian Acquisition Workforce Personnel Demonstration; to the Committee on Armed Services.

916. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting Final Regulations—International Education Programs, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1232(f); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

917. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule—International Education Programs: General Provisions, National Resource Centers Program for Foreign Language and Area Studies or Foreign Language and International Studies, Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program, The International Research and Studies Program, and Language Resource Centers Program—February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

918. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule—Process for Electing State Agency Representatives for Consultations with Department of Labor Relating to Nationwide Employment Statistics System (RIN: 1290-AA19) received February 5, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

919. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Performance Profiles of Major Energy Producers 1997," pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 7267; to the Committee on Commerce.

920. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Emission factors for PM_{2.5} and its Precursors—received February 17, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

921. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Standard Format and Content of License Termination Plans For Nuclear Power Reactors—received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

922. A letter from the Managing Director, Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting the Board's final rule—Revisions to the Freedom of Information Act Regulation [No. 99-7] (RIN: 3069-AA71) received February 17, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

923. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a report on accounting use for internal use software; to the Committee on Government Reform.

924. A letter from the Chief Judge, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, transmitting the amended "Jury Plan for the Superior Court of the District of Columbia"; to the Committee on Government Reform.

925. A letter from the Director, The Peace Corps, transmitting the FY 1998 report pursuant to the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform.

926. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Migratory Bird Permits; Establishment of a Conservation Order for the reduction of Midcontinent light goose populations (RIN: 1018-AF05) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

927. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery off the Southern Atlantic States; Amendment 9; OMB Control Numbers [Docket No. 981006253-9021-03; I.D. 082698D] (RIN: 0648-AK05) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

928. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Establishment of Class D Airspace; Lawrenceville, GA [Airspace Docket No. 98-ASO-20] received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

929. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Establishment of Class C Airspace and Revocation of Class D Airspace, Austin-Bergstrom International Airport, TX; and Revocation of Robert Mueller Municipal Airport Class C Airspace; TX [Airspace Docket No. 97-AWA-4] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

930. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 737-600, -700, and -800 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-258-AD; Amendment 39-11035; AD 99-04-11] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

931. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model MD-90-30 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-269-AD; Amendment 39-11030; AD 99-04-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

932. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Construcciones Aeronauticas, S.A. (CASA), Model C-212 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-141-AD; Amendment 39-11026; AD 99-04-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

933. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Textron Lycoming Reciprocating Engines IO-540 and O-540 Engines Equipped With Slick Aircraft Products Magnetos [Docket No. 98-ANE-81-AD; Amendment 39-11028; AD 99-04-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

934. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Limited Dart Series Turboprop Engines [Docket No. 98-ANE-46-AD; Amendment 39-11033; AD 99-04-09] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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