Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Systems Model MD–900 Helicopters [Docket No. 98–SW–34–AD; Amendment 39–11056; AD 99–05–08] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1228. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 757–200 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98–NM–238–AD; Amendment 39–11052; AD 99–05–03] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1229. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office fo the Cheif Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97–NM–254–AD; Amendment 39–11051; AD 99–05–02] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1230. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace Jetstream Model 3101 Airplanes [Docket No. 98–CE–100–AD; Amendment 39–10974; AD 99–01–07] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1231. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace Jetstream Model 3101 Airplanes [Docket No. 98–CE–99–AD; Amendment 39–10973; AD 99–01–06] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1232. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Model SA. 315B, SA. 316B, SA. 316C, SA. 319B, and SE. 3160 Helicopters [Docket No. 97–SW–14–AD; Amendment 39–11062; AD 99–05–14] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 4, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1233. A letter from the Program Support Specialist, Aircraft Certification Service, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC–9–80 Series Airplanes and Model MD–88 Airplanes [Docket No. 97–NM–292–AD; Amendment 39–11077; AD 99–06–13] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1234. A letter from the Program Support Specialist, Aircraft Certification Service, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97–NM–296–AD; Amendment 39–11085; AD 99–07–03] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1235. A letter from the Program Support Specialist, Aircraft Certification Service, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Models PC–12 and PC–12/45 Airplanes [Docket No. 99–CE–03–AD; Amendment 39–11081; AD 99–06–17] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1236. A letter from the Program Support Specialist, Aircraft Certification Service, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC–9 and DC–9–80 Series Airplanes, Model MD–88 Airplanes, and C–9 (Military) Series Airplanes [Docket No. 96–NM–203–AD; Amendment 39–11086; AD 98–13–35 R1] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1237. A letter from the Program Support Specialist, Aircraft Certification Service, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Model EMB–145 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 99–NM–33–AD; Amendment 39–11087; AD 99–05–04] (RIN: 2120–AA64) received March 22, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1238. A letter from the Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize programs for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1239. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for hazardous material transportation safety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1240. A letter from the Acting Associate Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Waiver of Submission of Cost or Pricing Data for Acquisitions With the Canadian Commercial Corporation and for Small Business Innovation Research Phase II Contracts—Recieved March 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

1241. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Determination of Interest Rate [Revenue Ruling 99–16] received March 15, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1242. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to promote the growth of free enterprise and economic opportunity in the Caribbean Basin region, to increase trade between the region and the United States, and to encourage the adoption by Caribbean Basin countries of trade and investment policies necessary for participation in the Free Trade Area of the Americas; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1243. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to provide grant funding for additional Empowerment Zones, Enterprise Communities, and Strategic Planning Communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1244. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to provide for the correction of retirement coverage errors under chapters 83 and 84 of title 5, United States Code; jointly to the Committees on Government Reform and Ways and Means.

1245. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 1999–2004, and for other puroposes; jointly to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Science, Ways and Means, Resources, and the Judiciary.

¶27.6 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 68. An Act to amend section 20 of the Small Business Act and make technical corrections in title III of the Small Business Investment Act.

¶27.7 COMMISSION ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, by unanimous consent, announced that the Speaker, pursuant to section 3 of Public Law 94-304, as amended by section 1 of Public Law 99-7, appointed to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, on the part of the House, the following Members: Messrs. HOYER, MARKEY and CARDIN and Ms. SLAUGHTER.

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

¶27.8 U.S. HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL COUNCIL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, by unanimous consent, announced that the Speaker, pursuant to Public Law 96-388, as amended by Public Law 97-84 (36 U.S.C. 1402(a)), appointed to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council, on the part of the House, the following Members: Messrs. LANTOS and FROST.

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

¶27.9 ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY BURIAL ELIGIBILITY

Mr. STUMP moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 70) to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility requirements for burial in Arlington National Cemetery, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, recognized Mr. STUMP and Mr. EVANS, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, announced that further proceedings on the motion were postponed.

¶27.10 SMALL BUSINESS YEAR 2000 READINESS

Mr. TALENT moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill of the Senate (S. 314) to provide for a loan guarantee program to address the Year 2000 computer problems of small business concerns, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, recognized Mr. TALENT and Ms. VELAZQUEZ, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said bill was passed.

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

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶27.11 SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

Mr. TALENT moved to suspend the rules and agree to the following amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 68) to amend section 20 of the Small Business Act and make technical corrections in Title III of the Small Business Investment Act:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Small Business Investment Improvement Act of 1999''.

SEC. 2. SBIC PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 308(i)(2) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 687(i)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the following: ''In this paragraph, the term 'interest' includes only the maximum mandatory sum, expressed in dollars or as a percentage rate, that is payable with respect to the business loan amount received by the small business concern, and does not include the value, if any, of contingent obligations, including warrants, royalty, or conversion rights, granting the small business investment company an ownership interest in the equity or increased future revenue of the small business concern receiving the business loan.''.

(b) FUNDING LEVELS.—Section 20 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 631 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (d)(1)(C)(i), by striking ''$800,000,000'' and inserting ''$1,200,000,000''; and

(2) in subsection (e)(1)(C)(i), by striking ''$900,000,000'' and inserting ''$1,500,000,000''.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—

(1) SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN.—Section 103(5) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 662(5)) is amended—

(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) through (C) as clauses (i) through (iii), and indenting appropriately;

(B) in clause (iii), as redesignated, by adding ''and'' at the end;

(C) by striking ''purposes of this Act, an investment'' and inserting the following: ''purposes of this Act—

''(A) an investment''; and

(D) by adding at the end the following:

''(B) in determining whether a business concern satisfies net income standards established pursuant to section 3(a)(2) of the Small Business Act, if the business concern is not required by law to pay Federal income taxes at the enterprise level, but is required to pass income through to the shareholders, partners, beneficiaries, or other equitable owners of the business concern, the net income of the business concern shall be determined by allowing a deduction in an amount equal to the sum of—

''(i) if the business concern is not required by law to pay State (and local, if any) income taxes at the enterprise level, the net income (determined without regard to this subparagraph), multiplied by the marginal State income tax rate (or by the combined State and local income tax rates, as applicable) that would have applied if the business concern were a corporation; and

''(ii) the net income (so determined) less any deduction for State (and local) income taxes calculated under clause (i), multiplied by the marginal Federal income tax rate that would have applied if the business concern were a corporation;''.

(2) SMALLER ENTERPRISE.—Section 103(12)(A)(ii) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 662(12)(A)(ii)) is amended by inserting before the semicolon at the end the following: ''except that, for purposes of this clause, if the business concern is not required by law to pay Federal income taxes at the enterprise level, but is required to pass income through to the shareholders, partners, beneficiaries, or other equitable owners of the business concern, the net income of the business concern shall be determined by allowing a deduction in an amount equal to the sum of—

''(I) if the business concern is not required by law to pay State (and local, if any) income taxes at the enterprise level, the net income (determined without regard to this clause), multiplied by the marginal State income tax rate (or by the combined State and local income tax rates, as applicable) that would have applied if the business concern were a corporation; and

''(II) the net income (so determined) less any deduction for State (and local) income taxes calculated under subclause (I), multiplied by the marginal Federal income tax rate that would have applied if the business concern were a corporation''.

(d) TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.—

(1) REPEAL.—Section 303(g) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 683(g)) is amended by striking paragraph (13).

(2) ISSUANCE OF GUARANTEES AND TRUST CERTIFICATES.—Section 320 of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 687m) is amended by striking ''6'' and inserting ''12''.

(3) ELIMINATION OF TABLE OF CONTENTS.—Section 101 of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 661 note) is amended to read as follows:

''SEC. 101. SHORT TITLE.

''This Act may be cited as the 'Small Business Investment Act of 1958'.''.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, recognized Mr. TALENT and Ms. VELAZQUEZ, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said amendment was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said amendment was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶27.12 EDWARD N. CAHN FEDERAL BUILDING AND U.S. COURTHOUSE

Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 751) to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 504 Hamilton Street in Allentown, Pennsylvania, as the ''Edward N. Cahn Federal Building and United States Courthouse''.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, recognized Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey and Mr. SHOWS, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said bill was passed.

By unanimous consent, the title was amended so as to read: ''An Act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 504 West Hamilton Street in Allentown, Pennsylvania, as the 'Edward N. Cahn Federal Building and United States Courthouse'.''.

A motion to reconsider the votes whereby the rules were suspended and said bill was passed and the title was amended was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

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

¶27.13 THURGOOD MARSHALL U.S. COURTHOUSE

Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 130) to designate the United States Courthouse located at 40 Centre Street in New York, New York as the ''Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse''.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, recognized Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey and Mr. SHOWS, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and 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.