

that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 1747. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to permanently extend and clarify malpractice coverage for health centers, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1977. An act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2099. An act making appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2236. An act to amend the Doug Barnard, Jr.—1996 Atlanta Centennial Olympic Games Commemorative Coin Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1060. An act to provide for the disclosure of lobbying activities to influence the Federal Government, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently on December 16, during the session of the Senate by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

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#### ORDERS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1995

Mr. DOLE. I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until the hour of 5 p.m. on Sunday, December 17; that following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be deemed approved to date, no resolutions come over under the rule, the call of the calendar be dispensed with, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and there then be a period for morning business until the hour of 5:30 p.m. with Senators permitted to speak for up to 5 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

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#### PROGRAM

Mr. DOLE. Let me indicate that we will have a session on tomorrow. I am not certain whether or not there will be a continuing resolution come over from the House, but we should know by 5 o'clock. And if it does come from the House, it is my hope that we can pass it on a voice vote. There will not be any votes tomorrow. If somebody demands a rollcall, then we would wait

and act on that late on Monday. So there will be no votes during tomorrow's session.

We are still hoping to be able to reach an agreement for a time certain to vote on adoption of the DOD authorization conference report. That vote will come on Tuesday morning. We are also hoping that we will be able to proceed to the consideration of the Labor, HHS appropriations bill. A cloture motion was filed on the motion to proceed to Labor, HHS appropriations yesterday.

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#### ORDER FOR VOTE ON CLOTURE MOTION—H.R. 2127

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I now ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the provisions of rule XXII, the vote on invoking cloture occur on Tuesday, December 19, at a time to be determined by the two leaders, with the mandatory quorum being waived.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

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#### PROPOSED ACTION ON LEGISLATION

Mr. DOLE. I might say for the information of my colleagues we did have a meeting this morning with reference to welfare reform. We think we are very close to an agreement. We hope to have that before the Senate next week. The House will act first. We hope to take it up on Tuesday or Wednesday.

We also believe that we have resolved the problem with the D.C. appropriations bill, and it is possible that might be acted on tomorrow. It is unlikely. But it would be acted on by Monday. We could take it up on Monday. I know there have been conversations with the Mayor today to indicate that we hope to have the D.C. appropriations bill wrapped up on Monday and on the way to the President, and on that basis I understand that there will not be any shutdown of anything in the District of Columbia. At least that is what I was advised.

We also met with reference to the foreign operations appropriations bill. We have not yet resolved the one issue remaining with reference to abortion. But it is our hope that we could come to some resolution of that on Monday. If that were the case, then we will have

completed action on all the appropriations except Labor, HHS, which we are unable to take up because of objections on the other side of the aisle. If cloture is invoked, then we can complete action on that.

I would just say with reference to the budget negotiations, we have heard nothing from the President or any of the President's representatives today. It may be that there will be some information later today or tomorrow. We are available. We are prepared. We believe we should have serious discussions. If we are not going to have serious discussions, then we ought to sit down and say, OK, it is not going to happen this year and make some arrangements so that many Members and others and those who may be affected by a Government shutdown can be protected.

I hope that we could get serious about this, sit down and start talking with the President of the United States, with the Speaker, with the majority leader of the Senate present so that we could make some movement. I think one way it might help is if we start canceling all the press conferences that everybody is having downtown and up here. That might speed up the process because it seems to be that every time you have a meeting you have to have a press conference. I am not sure that has been productive the last couple, 3 days.

In any event, if the President wants us to be responsible, we are certainly prepared to do that. We are waiting for him to get with all of us. We would be glad to come to the White House or anywhere else to meet with the President to talk about the balanced budget in 7 years and how we can reach an agreement between now and next Friday, December 22. If not then, sometime in the following week before New Year's.

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#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 5 P.M. TOMORROW

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, if there be no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 2:27 p.m., adjourned until Sunday, December 17, 1995, at 5 p.m.