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Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at the request of Mr. CANADY of Florida) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material.)

Mr. MCINTOSH, for 5 minutes, on July 12.

Mr. GUTKNECHT, for 5 minutes, on July 12.

Mr. EWING, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KINGSTON, for 5 minutes, today.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. GUTIERREZ) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. RANGEL.

Mr. MARKEY.

Ms. DELAURO.

Mr. GIBBONS.

Mr. JACOBS.

Mr. COYNE.

Ms. KAPTUR.

Mr. DELLUMS.

Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO.

Mr. POMEROY.

Mr. LIPINSKI.

Mr. OBERSTAR.

Mr. ENGEL.

Ms. LOFGREN.

Mr. UNDERWOOD.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii

Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey.

Mr. LEVIN.

Mr. MARTINEZ.

Mr. FIELDS of Louisiana.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

Mr. GUTIERREZ.

Mr. SAWYER.

Mr. COSTELLO.

Mr. STUPAK.

The following Members (at the request of Mr. CANADY of Florida) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. FIELDS of Texas.

Mr. DORNAN.

Mr. GILMAN in three instances.

Mr. LONGLEY.

Mr. QUINN.

Mr. HYDE.

Mr. CRANE.

Mr. FLANAGAN.

Mr. TALENT.

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania.

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia.

Mr. BEREUTER.

Mr. EWING.

Mr. KLUG.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM.

Mr. GOODLING.

Mr. FORBES.

Mr. BLUTE.

Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 419. An act for the relief of Benchmark Rail Group, Inc.

H.R. 701. An act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey lands to the city of Rolls, Missouri.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. CANADY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 55 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned until today, Friday, July 12, 1996, at 9 a.m.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

U.S. CONGRESS,
OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE,
Washington, DC, July 10, 1996.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to Section 303 of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. §1383), I am transmitting the enclosed notice of proposed rulemaking for publication in the Congressional Record.

The Congressional Accountability Act specifies that the enclosed notice be published on the first day on which both Houses are in session following this transmittal.

Sincerely,

RICKY SILBERMAN,
Executive Director.

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE—THE CONGRESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1995: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PROCEDURAL RULES

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

Summary: The Executive Director of the Office of Compliance is publishing proposed amendments to the rules governing the procedures for the Office of Compliance under the Congressional Accountability Act (P.L. 104-1, 109 Stat. 3). The proposed amendments to the procedural rules have been proposed by the Board of Directors, Office of Compliance.

Dates: Comments are due within 30 days after publication of this Notice in the Congressional Record.

Addresses: Submit written comments (an original and ten copies) to the Executive Director, Office of Compliance, Room LA 200, 110 Second Street, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20540-1999. Those wishing to receive notification of receipts of comments are requested to include a self-addressed, stamped post card. Comments may also be transmitted by facsimile ("FAX") machine to (202) 426-1913. This is not a toll-free call. Copies of comments submitted by the public will be available for review at the Law Library Reading Room, Room LM-201, Law Library of Congress, James Madison Memorial Building, Washington, D.C., Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

For Further Information Contact: Executive Director, Office of Compliance at (202) 724-9250. This notice is also available in the following formats: large print, braille, audio tape, and electronic file on computer disk. Requests for this notice in an alternative format should be made to Mr. Russell Jackson, Director, Service Department, Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, (202) 224-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

I. Background

The Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 ("CAA" or "Act") was enacted into law

on January 23, 1995. In general, the CAA applies the rights and protections of eleven federal labor and employment law statutes to covered employees and employing offices within the legislative branch. Section 303 of the CAA directs that the Executive Director of the Office of Compliance ("Office") shall, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors ("Board") of the Office, adopt rules governing the procedures for the Office, and may amend those rules in the same manner. The procedural rules currently in effect, approved by the Board and adopted by the Executive Director, were published December 22, 1995 in the Congressional Record (141 CONG. R. S19239 (daily ed., Dec. 22, 1995)). The proposed revisions and additions that follow amend certain of the existing procedures by which the Office provides for the consideration and resolution of alleged violations of the laws made applicable under Part A of title II of the CAA, and establish procedures for consideration of matters arising under Part D of title II of the CAA, which is generally effective October 1, 1996.

A summary of the proposed amendments is set forth below in Section II; the text of the provisions that are proposed to be added or revised is found in Section III. The Executive Director invites comment from interested persons on the content of these proposed amendments to the procedural rules.

II. Summary of Proposed Amendments to the Procedural Rules

(A) A general reorganization of the rules is proposed to accommodate proposed new provisions, and, consequently, to re-order the rules in a clear and logical sequence. As a result, some sections will be moved and/or renumbered. Cross-references in appropriate sections will be modified accordingly. These organizational changes are listed in the following comparison table.

	<i>Former section No.</i>	<i>New section No.</i>
\$2.06	Complaints	\$ 5.01
\$2.07	Appointment of the Hearing Officer	\$ 5.02
\$2.08	Filing, Service and Size Limitations of Motions, Briefs, Responses and Other Documents	\$ 9.01
\$2.09	Dismissal of Complaint	\$ 5.03
\$2.10	Confidentiality	\$ 5.04
\$2.11	Filing of Civil Action	\$ 2.06
\$8.02	Compliance with Final Decisions, Requests for Enforcement	\$ 8.03
\$8.03	Judicial Review	\$ 8.04
\$9.01	Attorney's Fees and Costs	\$ 9.03
\$9.02	Ex Parte Communications	\$ 9.04
\$9.03	Settlement Agreements	\$ 9.05
\$9.04	Revocation, Amendment or Waiver of Rules	\$ 9.06

(B) Several revisions are proposed to provide for consideration of matters arising under section 220 (Part D of title II) of the CAA, which applies certain provisions of chapter 71 of title 5, United States Code relating to Federal Service Labor-Management Relations ("chapter 71"). For example, technical changes in the procedural rules will be necessary in order to provide for the exercise by the General Counsel and labor organizations of various rights and responsibilities under section 220 of the Act. These proposed revisions are as follows:

Section 1.01. "Scope and Policy" is proposed to be amended by inserting in the first sentence a reference to Part D of title II of the CAA in order to clarify that the procedural rules now govern procedures under that Part of the Act.