

April 27, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2070. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Method of valuing farm real property—received April 27, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2071. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—last-in, first-out inventory methods [Revenue Ruling 99-22] received April 27, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2072. A letter from the Secretary of Labor and Executive Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting Administration of the Toxic Substances Control Act—the Corporation's financial statements a of September 30, 1998, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 2629; jointly to the Committees on Commerce and Ways and Means.

2073. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Department Of State, transmitting the annual report for 1998 on voting practices at the United Nations, pursuant to Public Law 101-167; jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations.

2074. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the unclassified version of the report "Theater Missile Defense Architecture Options in the Asia-Pacific Region"; jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Armed Services.

2075. A letter from the Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic And Atmospheric Administration, transmitting a report on bluefin tuna for 1997-1998, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 971; jointly to the Committees on Resources and International Relations.

2076. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Congressional Affairs, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to provide a temporary authority for the use of voluntary separation incentives by the Department of Veterans Affairs to reduce employment levels, restructure staff, and for other purposes; jointly to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs and Government Reform.

2077. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation that addresses various management concerns of the Department of Defense; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services, the Judiciary, and Government Reform.

2078. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation that addresses various management concerns of the Department of Defense; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services, International Relations, Government Reform, Intelligence (Permanent Select), Education and the Workforce, and Transportation and Infrastructure.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

Mr. SMITH of Texas: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 441. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the requirements for the admission of non-immigrant nurses who will practice in health professional shortage areas (Rept. 106-135). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. GOSS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 167. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1555) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2000 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes (Rept. 106-136). Referred to the House Calendar.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

[Omitted from the Record of May 11, 1999]

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the Committee on Commerce discharged. H.R. 775 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

The Committee on Armed Services discharged. H.R. 1555 to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CALVERT:

H.R. 1763. A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide that the cost of mitigation required under that Act for a public construction project may not exceed 10 percent of the total project costs; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. EVANS (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. FILNER, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. CARSON, Mr. REYES, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. OBERSTAR, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. FARR of California, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. FROST, and Ms. KILPATRICK):

H.R. 1764. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide limited authority for concurrent receipt of military retired pay and veterans' disability compensation in the case of certain disabled military retirees who are over the age of 65; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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. STUMP (for himself, Mr. EVANS, Mr. QUINN, and Mr. FILNER):

H.R. 1765. A bill to increase, effective as of December 1, 1999, the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. ABERCROMBIE:

H.R. 1766. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the amount of the deduction allowed for meal and entertainment expenses associated with the performing arts; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 1767. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide for the allocation of any limitation imposed on school construction bonds with respect to which the holders are allowed a credit under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and to apply the wage requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act to projects financed with such bonds; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. NADLER, Ms. LOFGREN,

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Ms. WALTERS, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. WEINER, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DIXON, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. HOEFFEL, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. VENTO, and Mr. WAXMAN):

H.R. 1768. A bill to strengthen America's firearms and explosives laws; to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. CUMMINGS:

H.R. 1769. A bill to eliminate certain inequities in the Civil Service Retirement System and the Federal Employees' Retirement System with respect to the computation of benefits for law enforcement officers, firefighters, air traffic controllers, nuclear materials couriers, and their survivors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. CUMMINGS (for himself, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, and Mrs. MORELLA):

H.R. 1770. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to revise the overtime pay limitation for Federal employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mrs. EMERSON:

H.R. 1771. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide for an improved benefit computation formula for workers affected by the changes in benefit computation rules enacted in the Social Security Amendments of 1977 who attain age 65 during the 10-year period after 1981 and before 1992 (and related beneficiaries) and to provide prospectively for increases in their benefits accordingly; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. EMERSON:

H.R. 1772. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a refundable credit to certain senior citizens for premiums paid for coverage under Medicare Part B; 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. FILNER (for himself and Mrs. EMERSON):

H.R. 1773. A bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide that any participant or beneficiary under an employee benefit plan shall be entitled to de novo review in court of benefit determinations under such plan; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. GALLEGLY:

H.R. 1774. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to not count work experience as an unauthorized alien for purposes of admission as an employment-based immigrant or an H-1B nonimmigrant; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GILCHREST (for himself, Mrs.

TAUSCHER, Mr. FORBES, Mr. GOSS, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. METCALF, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. INSLIE, Mr. DICKS, Ms. DELAURO, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. ENGLISH, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. TAUZIN, and Mr. LAMPSON):