

storage is so, so critical for us out there.

Finally, keep in mind what water storage, what it does. It provides flood control. It provides hydroelectricity. It provides recreation. And probably as important as anything that I have just mentioned, probably more important than anything that I have just mentioned, it allows us to save water and build up a reservoir so when we face the kind of drought conditions that we are facing today in the West, we have the capability to draw from that reservoir, at least from a limited period of time to try and get us through until the next snow season.

Colleagues, I appreciate your time this evening. I appreciate the fact that I am allowed, and have this great privilege in this country to come to this House well and try to work with my colleagues in the East, Republican or Democrat, to tell you how important it is that you understand the geographical differences, the water differences between the eastern United States and the western United States.

Mr. Speaker, I appreciate this time, and look forward to Members' cooperation on these issues in the future.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. MASCARA (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of personal reasons.

Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today and the balance of the week on account of important legislative business in the district.

Mr. CRANE (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today on account of personal reasons.

Mr. CANNON (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today and the balance of the week on account of personal reasons.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DAVIS of Illinois) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LIPINSKI, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BLUMENAUER, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. BERKLEY, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at the request of Mr. SULLIVAN) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PENCE, for 5 minutes, today.

#### SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 2248. An act to extend the authority of the Export-Import Bank until May 31, 2002.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 1, 2002, at 10 a.m.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6486. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Infectious Salmon Anemia; Payment of Indemnity [Docket No. 01-126-1] received April 12, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6487. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Farm Loan Programs Account Servicing Policies—Reduction of Amortization Shared Appreciation Recapture Amortization Rate (RIN: 0560-AG43) received April 18, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6488. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Lamb Promotion, Research, and Information Order [No. LS-01-12] (RIN: 0581-AC06) received April 19, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6489. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Fluazinam; Pesticide Tolerance [OPP-2002-0003; FRL-6831-8] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received April 16, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6490. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Fenhexamid; Pesticide Tolerance [OPP-301228; FRL-6829-9] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received April 16, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6491. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Sodium Starch Glycolate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [OPP-2002-0018; FRL-6833-9] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received April 16, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6492. A letter from the Director, FDIC Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule—Engaged In The Business of Receiving Deposits Other Than Trust Funds (RIN: 3064-AC49) received April 22, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6493. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Final Flood Elevation Determinations—received April 22, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.

801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6494. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP); Increased Rates for Flood Coverage (RIN: 3067-AD27) received April 16, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6495. A letter from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule—Program of Research on Reading Comprehension—received April 19, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6496. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medical Devices; Reclassification of Three Anesthesiology Preamendments Class III Devices into Class II [Docket No. 99N-0035] received April 22, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6497. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Prescription Drug Marketing Act of 1987; Prescription Drug Amendments of 1992; Policies, Requirements, and Administrative Procedures; Delay of Effective Date [Docket No. 92N-0297] (RIN: 0905-AC81) received April 22, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6498. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medical Devices; Device Tracking [Docket No. 00N-1034] received April 17, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6499. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Topical Antifungal Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use; Amendment of Final Monograph [Docket No. 99N-4063] (RIN: 0910-AA01) received April 16, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6500. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Cold, Cough, Allergy, Bronchodilator, and Antiasthmatic Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use; Partial Final Rule for Combination Drug Products Containing a Bronchodilator; Correction [Docket No. 76N-052G] (RIN: 0910-AA01) received April 15, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6501. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption; Change in Specifications for Gum or Wood Rosin Derivatives in Chewing Gum Base; Correction [Docket No. 99F-2533] received March 19, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6502. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Topical Nitrofurans; Extralabel Animal Drug Use; Order of Prohibition [Docket No. 01N-0499] received April 15, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.