

Virgin Island income tax forms; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2798. A letter from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to improve the asset forfeiture program; jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary, Ways and Means, Commerce, Resources, Agriculture, and Banking and Financial Services.

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. STUMP: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. House Joint Resolution 34. Resolution congratulating and commending the Veterans of Foreign Wars (Rept. 106-205). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. TALENT: Committee on Small Business. H.R. 1568. A bill to provide technical, financial, and procurement assistance to veteran owned small businesses, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 106-206 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 562. A bill to approve and ratify certain transfers of land and natural resources by or on behalf of the Delaware Nation of Indians, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 106-207). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 230. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 66) to preserve the cultural resources of the Route 66 corridor and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance (Rept. 106-208). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 231. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 592) to redesignate Great Kills Park in the Gateway National Recreation Area as "World War II Veterans Park at Great Kills" (Rept. 106-209). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 232. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 791) to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the route of the War of 1812 British invasion of Maryland and Washington, District of Columbia, and the route of the American defense, for study for potential addition to the national trails system (Rept. 106-210). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mrs. MYRICK: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 233. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1218) to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions (Rept. 106-211). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. HYDE: Committee of Conference. Conference report on H.R. 775. A bill to establish certain procedures for civil actions brought for damages relating to the failure of any device or system to process or otherwise deal with the transition from the year 1999 to the year 2000, and for other purposes (Rept. 106-212). Ordered to be printed.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X, the Committee on Veterans' Affairs dis-

charged. H.R. 1568 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 1568. Referral to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs extended for a period ending not later than June 29, 1999.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. GILMAN, and Ms. MCKINNEY):

H.R. 2367. A bill to reauthorize a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture; to the Committee on International Relations, 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. YOUNG of Alaska (for himself and Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California):

H.R. 2368. A bill to assist in the resettlement and relocation of the people of Bikini Atoll by amending the terms of the trust fund established during the United States administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. NETHERCUTT (for himself and Mr. LAFALCE):

H.R. 2369. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of certain biologicals used in treating lower extremity ulcers in patients with diabetes; to the Committee on Commerce, 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. DOGGETT (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. FROST, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Ms. RIVERS, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. BONIOR, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. CARSON, and Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York):

H.R. 2370. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that no individual shall be denied unemployment compensation solely on the basis of leaving employment due to a reasonable fear of domestic violence; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BONIOR (for himself, Mr. FROST, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. CUMMINGS, and Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas):

H.R. 2371. A bill to make schools safer by waiving the local matching requirement under the Community Policing program for the placement of law enforcement officers in local schools; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CANADY of Florida (for himself, Mr. FROST, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. GOODE, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. WALSH, Mr. BARCIA, and Mr. BURTON of Indiana):

H.R. 2372. A bill to simplify and expedite access to the Federal courts for injured parties whose rights and privileges, secured by the United States Constitution, have been deprived by final actions of Federal agencies, or other government officials or entities acting under color of State law; to prevent Federal courts from abstaining from exercising Federal jurisdiction in actions where no State law claim is alleged; to permit certification of unsettled State law questions that are essential to resolving Federal claims arising under the Constitution; and to clarify when government action is sufficiently final to ripen certain Federal claims arising under the Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. BAIRD):

H.R. 2373. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for Start-up Success Accounts; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FOSSELLA:

H.R. 2374. A bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to grant a Federal charter to the National Lighthouse Center and Museum; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GILMAN:

H.R. 2375. A bill to authorize a demonstration project to expand eligibility under existing State prescription drug assistance programs for low-income seniors; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin (for himself, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. HAYES, Mr. OSE, Mr. KUYKENDALL, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. SWEENEY, and Mrs. BIGBERT):

H.R. 2376. A bill to require executive agencies to establish expedited review procedures for granting a waiver to a State under a grant program administered by the agency if another State has already been granted a similar waiver by the agency under such program; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. HOEFFEL:

H.R. 2377. A bill to provide for a study and report to the Congress on the use of antique firearms in crime; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HOUGHTON (for himself, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. LEVIN, and Ms. DUNN):

H.R. 2378. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that advance pricing agreements between taxpayers and the Internal Revenue Service are confidential return information; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. INSLEE (for himself, Mr. MCDERMOTT, and Mr. SMITH of Washington):

H.R. 2379. A bill to ensure that adequate frequencies of the electromagnetic spectrum are available for biomedical telemetry; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. MATSUI (for himself, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. BECERRA, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. MINGE, Mr. FROST, Mr. FILNER, Ms. LOFGREEN, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. LEE, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. VENTO, Mr. LAFALCE, and Mr. BERMAN):

H.R. 2380. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives to reduce energy consumption; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NEY:

H.R. 2381. A bill to prohibit United States economic assistance for countries that ratify the treaty known as the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, a treaty that provides for the establishment of an International Criminal Court, an illegal and illegitimate institution that violates the principles of self-government and popular sovereignty, as well as accepted norms of international law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. NEY (for himself and Mr. OXLEY):

H.R. 2382. A bill to promote the improvement of information on, and protections against, child sexual abuse; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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 and Mr. GIBBONS):

H.R. 2383. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to produce and sell products and to sell publications relating to the Hoover Dam, and to deposit revenues generated from the sales into the Colorado River Dam fund; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. TAUZIN (for himself, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. DINGELL):

H.R. 2384. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to authorize appropriations for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. TRAFICANT:

H.R. 2385. A bill to require that the General Accounting Office study and report on possible connections between the recurring incidence of violence by postal employees and workplace-related frustrations experienced by postal workers generally; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. WEINER:

H.R. 2386. A bill to amend the Expedited Funds Availability Act to prohibit the imposition of fees for any check returned due to insufficient funds for payment, other than a fee imposed on the maker of the check, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Ms. WOOLSEY:

H.R. 2387. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide grants to local educational agencies to encourage girls to pursue studies and careers in science, mathematics, and technology; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. GILMAN (for himself, Mr. CALAHAN, Mr. GEJDENSON, Ms. PELOSI, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Mrs. CAPPS):

H. Con. Res. 144. Concurrent resolution urging the United States Government and the United Nations to undertake urgent and strenuous efforts to secure the release of Branko Jelen, Steve Pratt, and Peter Wallace, 3 humanitarian workers employed in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia by CARE International, who are being unjustly held as prisoners by the Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. TURNER, Mr. SPRATT, Ms. CARSON, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. WYNN, Mr. WEXLER, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. EVANS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. FROST, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Ms. EDDIE

BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. BOYD, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. FALCOMAVAEGA, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. DEUTSCH, Ms. ESHOO, and Mr. SISISKY):

H. Con. Res. 145. Concurrent resolution expressing congratulations and thanks to United States and NATO troops for successfully bringing peace to Kosovo and halting the brutal ethnic cleansing of Kosovar Albanians; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. PALLONE:

H. Con. Res. 146. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the imposition of sanctions on persons under the Nuclear Proliferation Prevention Act of 1994 regarding exports to India or Pakistan should be imposed only for direct and material contributions to nuclear weapons and the missiles for delivering them; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Ms. SCHAKOWSKY (for herself, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mrs. KELLY, and Mrs. MALONEY of New York):

H. Con. Res. 147. Concurrent resolution commending the decision to grant women in Kuwait the right to vote and run for elected office; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. OSE (for himself, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. POMBO, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. HERGER, Mr. LEWIS of California, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. HORN, Mrs. BONO, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. KUYKENDALL, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. COX, Mr. DREIER, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. HOLT, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. STARK, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. GOODE, Mr. CROWLEY, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. ROGAN, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. WEINER, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. DIXON, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. NADLER, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. MARTINEZ, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. TIERNEY, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. FROST, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. GARY MILLER of California, Mr. FORBES, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, and Mr. ACKERMAN):

H. Res. 226. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives condemning the acts of arson at three Sacramento, California, area synagogues on June 18, 1999, and affirming its opposition to such crimes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GILMAN (for himself, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr.

PALLONE, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. RUSH, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas):

H. Res. 227. A resolution expressing the sense of the Congress in opposition to the Government of Pakistan's support for armed incursion into Jammu and Kashmir, India; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. GALLEGLY (for himself, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. FARR of California, and Mr. DAVIS of Florida):

H. Res. 228. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the peace process in Colombia and calling on the government and all other parties to the current conflict in Colombia to take steps to advance the peace process so as to end the ongoing violence which continues to pose a serious threat to democracy, human rights, and economic and social stability in that nation; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. NADLER (for himself, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. WEINER, and Mrs. LOWEY):

H. Res. 229. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Rabbi Morris Sherer should be recognized for his leadership role in the growth and development of the Orthodox Jewish community in the United States and for fostering religious liberty and understanding around the world; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

124. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of New Hampshire, relative to House Resolution No. 9 memorializing the federal government to make full funding of the Land and Resource Management Plan its highest priority regarding its ownership and management of the White Mountain National Forest; to the Committee on Agriculture.

125. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Nevada, relative to Assembly Joint Resolution No. 15 memorializing Congress to rectify inequities that occur between federal and state regulatory agencies regarding the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 as it relates to appeals processes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

126. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Hawaii, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 219 memorializing the United States Congress, the President of the United States, and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to support the Hawaii Congressional delegation to amend the Social Security Act to increase Hawaii's Federal Medical Assistance Percentage; to the Committee on Commerce.

127. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Nebraska, relative to Legislative Resolution No. 43 memorializing Congress to direct the federal Environmental Protection Agency to curtail implementation of new restrictions from its Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) on phosphide gas that would require a 500-foot buffer zone and other restrictions that effectively preclude the use of aluminum or magnesium phosphide in most of Nebraska's grain storage facilities and grain transportation; to the Committee on Commerce.