

September 30, 2002, and for other purposes (Rept. 107-142). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary. House Concurrent Resolution 62. Resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the George Washington letter to Tuoro Synagogue in Newport, Rhode Island, which is on display at the B'nai B'rith Klutznick National Jewish Museum in Washington, D.C., is one of the most significant early statements buttressing the nascent American constitutional guarantee of religious freedom; with an amendment (Rept. 107-143). Referred to the House Calendar.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 196. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 7) to provide incentives for charitable contributions by individuals and businesses, to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of government program delivery to individuals and families in need, and to enhance the ability of low-income Americans to gain financial security by building assets (Rept. 107-144). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LANTOS (for himself, Mr. HYDE, Mr. STUMP, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. COX, Mr. HOFFEL, Mr. KING, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. FALCOMA, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, and Mr. ROHRBACHER):

H.R. 2507. A bill to prohibit payment by the United States Government of any request or claim by the Government of the People's Republic of China for reimbursement of the costs associated with the United States Navy EP-3 aircraft that was forced to land on Hainan Island, China, on April 1, 2001; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan:

H.R. 2508. A bill to authorize a plant pathogen genomics research program at the Department of Agriculture to reduce the economic impact of plant pathogens on commercially important crop plants; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. KING (for himself and Mrs. MALONEY of New York) (both by request):

H.R. 2509. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to produce currency, postage stamps, and other security documents at the request of foreign governments, and security documents at the request of the individual States of the United States, or any political subdivision thereof, on a reimbursable basis; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. KING (for himself and Mrs. MALONEY of New York) (both by request):

H.R. 2510. A bill to extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. MCCRERY:

H.R. 2511. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives to encourage energy conservation, energy reliability, and energy production; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HINOJOSA (for himself, Mr. FROST, Mr. FILNER, Mr. REYES, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. GONZALEZ, and Mr. PASTOR):

H.R. 2512. A bill to authorize additional appropriations for the United States Customs

Service for personnel, technology, and infrastructure to expedite the flow of legal commercial and passenger traffic along the Southwest land border, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ALLEN (for himself, Mr. BALDACCI, and Mr. SANDERS):

H.R. 2513. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to clarify that the Secretary of Health and Human Services has the authority to treat certain State payments made in an approved demonstration project as medical assistance under the Medicaid Program for purposes of a rebate agreement under section 1927 of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ALLEN:

H.R. 2514. A bill to provide for burdensharing contributions from allied and other friendly foreign countries for the costs of deployment of any United States missile defense system that is designed to protect those countries from ballistic missile attack; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and the Budget, 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. BAKER (for himself and Mr. SCHROCK):

H.R. 2515. A bill to amend title 32, United States Code, to remove the limitation on the use of defense funds for the National Guard civilian youth opportunities program, to lessen the matching funds requirements under the program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BARRETT (for himself, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. CAPP, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. LUTHER, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. RUSH, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. WAXMAN):

H.R. 2516. A bill to enhance the Federal Government's leadership role in energy efficiency by requiring Federal agencies to acquire central air conditioners and heat pumps that meet or exceed certain efficiency standards; to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and 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. BEREUTER (for himself and Mr. SANDERS):

H.R. 2517. A bill to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. BOEHLERT (for himself and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

H.R. 2518. A bill to establish a pilot program within the Department of Energy to facilitate the use of alternative fuel school buses through grants for energy demonstration and commercial application of energy technology, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and 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. CHABOT (for himself and Mr. DELAHUNT):

H.R. 2519. A bill to allow media coverage of court proceedings; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DOGGETT (for himself, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. STARK, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. COYNE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. BECERRA, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Ms. SANCHEZ, Ms. SHAKOWSKY, Mr. TIERNEY, and Mrs. JONES of Ohio):

H.R. 2520. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to curb tax abuses by disallowing tax benefits claimed to arise from transactions without substantial economic substance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CLEMENT (for himself and Mr. HILLEARY):

H.R. 2521. A bill to permit States to place supplemental guide signs relating to veterans cemeteries on Federal-aid highways; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. COBLE (for himself and Mr. BERMAN) (both by request):

H.R. 2522. A bill to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts, and for other purposes; 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. CUMMINGS (for himself, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. WYNN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. LATOURETTE, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. OWENS, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. JEFFERSON):

H.R. 2523. 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, members of the Supreme Court and Capitol police, and their survivors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. DICKS:

H.R. 2524. A bill to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Quinault Indian Nation under United States Claims Court Dockets 772-71, 773-71, 774-71, and 775-71, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. LINDER (for himself, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. BONILLA, and Mr. CONDIT):

H.R. 2525. A bill to promote freedom, fairness, and economic opportunity by repealing the income tax and other taxes, abolishing the Internal Revenue Service, and enacting a national sales tax to be administered primarily by the States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GOODLATTE (for himself, Mr. BOUCHER, and Mr. COX):

H.R. 2526. A bill to make permanent the moratorium enacted by the Internet Tax Freedom Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KIND (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. PETRI, and Mr. KLECZKA):

H.R. 2527. A bill to provide grants for training of realtime court reporters and closed

captioners to meet the requirements for closed captioning set forth in the Telecommunications Act of 1996; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. KOLBE:

H.R. 2528. A bill to modernize the legal tender of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. MATSUI):

H.R. 2529. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a revenue-neutral simplification of the individual income tax; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. TANCREDO, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. CHABOT, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

H.R. 2530. A bill to prohibit issuance of a visa to any citizen of the People's Republic of China who participates in or otherwise supports the harvesting, transplantation, or trafficking of organs of executed Chinese prisoners, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. SCHAKOWSKY (for herself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. RUSH, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. WATERS, Mr. JEFFERSON, and Mr. FILNER):

H.R. 2531. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act, the Revised Statutes of the United States, the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act of 1975, and the amendments made by the Home Ownership and Equity Protection Act of 1994 to protect consumers from predatory lending practices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan:

H.R. 2532. A bill to provide for the establishment of regional plant genome and gene expression research and development centers; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan:

H.R. 2533. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reduce the influence of political action committees in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Ms. SOLIS (for herself and Mr. SCHIFF):

H.R. 2534. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Lower Los Angeles River and San Gabriel River watersheds in the State of California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. STEARNS:

H.R. 2535. A bill to permit wireless carriers to obtain sufficient spectrum to meet the growing demand for existing services and ensure that such carriers have the spectrum they need to deploy fixed and advanced services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. STEARNS:

H.R. 2536. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to reduce restrictions on media ownership, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. WU, Ms. HART, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. MOORE, Mr. WEINER, and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

H.R. 2537. A bill to provide for the appointment of an Assistant United States Attorney for each judicial district for the purpose of prosecuting firearms offenses; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico:

H.R. 2538. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to expand and improve the assistance provided by Small Business Development Centers to Indian tribe members, Native Alaskans, and Native Hawaiians; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. WATKINS:

H.R. 2539. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the low-income housing credit without regard to whether moderate rehabilitation assistance is provided with respect to a building; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HUNTER (for himself and Mr. SPRATT):

H. Res. 195. A resolution commending the United States military and defense contractor personnel responsible for the successful in-flight ballistic missile defense interceptor test on July 14, 2001, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services, considered and agreed to.

By Ms. PRYCE of Ohio:

H. Res. 196. A resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 7) to provide incentives for charitable contributions by individuals and businesses, to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of government program delivery to individuals and families in need, and to enhance the ability of low-income Americans to gain financial security by building assets.

By Mr. BARRETT (for himself, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. REBERG, Mr. PAUL, Mr. REYNOLDS, Mr. ADERHOLT, and Mr. SCHAFFER):

H. Res. 197. A resolution urging the President to reject any decree, proclamation, or treaty adopted by the United Nations Conference on Small Arms and Light Weapons which would infringe on the right of United States citizens under the 2nd amendment to the Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on International Relations, 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 Mrs. DAVIS of California:

H. Res. 198. A resolution congratulating Tony Gwynn on the announcement of his retirement from the San Diego Padres and from Major League Baseball; to the Committee on Government Reform.

MEMORIALS

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

156. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 201 memorializing the United States Congress to take appropriate action to prevent further desecration of the SS *Leopoldville* or any of its contents; to the Committee on Armed Services.

157. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 143 memorializing the United States Congress to assist the Federal Trade Commission in preventing the sale of crawfish and catfish imported from Asia and Spain at prices with which Louisiana producers cannot compete; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

158. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 8 memorializing the United States Congress to increase funding

for research by the National Institutes of Health for the treatment and cure of Duchenne and Becker muscular dystrophy; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

159. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 34 memorializing the United States Congress to support the Minerals Management Service plan to proceed with the Outer Continental Shelf Lease Sale 181 for the eastern Gulf of Mexico scheduled for December 5, 2001; to the Committee on Resources.

160. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12 memorializing the United States Congress to authorize an additional 18 federal judges and commensurate staff to handle the current and anticipated caseloads along the United States-Mexico border and to fully reimburse local governments for the costs incurred in prosecuting and incarcerating federal defendants; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

161. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 152 memorializing the United States Congress to adopt legislation authorizing states to opt out of the federal-aid highway program; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

162. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 188 memorializing the United States Congress to support House Resolution 527 making changes to Section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code to exempt certain state and local political committees which are required to report contributions and expenditures pursuant to local or state law; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

163. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 140 memorializing the United States Congress to act at once to provide for advanced and increased funding of the Weatherization Assistance Program for Low-Income Persons and the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, so as to enable the programs to engage in planning their work more efficiently and engaging and retaining qualified employees; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Education and the Workforce.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 20: Mr. BASS.
 H.R. 28: Mr. LARSON of Connecticut and Mr. LANTOS.
 H.R. 31: Mr. WALDEN of Oregon.
 H.R. 41: Mr. NUSSLE and Mr. SIMPSON.
 H.R. 64: Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland.
 H.R. 68: Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. FRANK, Mr. DEUTSCH, and Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania.
 H.R. 91: Mr. KILDEE and Mr. CALVERT.
 H.R. 163: Mrs. MALONEY of New York.
 H.R. 175: Mr. TOOMEY.
 H.R. 218: Mrs. CAPPS and Mr. BACHUS.
 H.R. 261: Mrs. DAVIS of California.
 H.R. 267: Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. SHUSTER, and Mr. CROWLEY.
 H.R. 281: Mr. KLECZKA, Ms. ESHOO, and Mr. LAMPSON.
 H.R. 288: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.
 H.R. 303: Mr. DEMINT.
 H.R. 326: Mr. INSLEE, Mr. REYES, and Ms. WATSON of California.
 H.R. 356: Mr. WAMP