

designating Sunday, August 1, 1993, as "Small-Town Sunday".

When said joint resolution was considered and read twice.

Ms. NORTON submitted the following amendment in the nature of a substitute which was agreed to:

Strike all after the resolving clause and insert the following:

That the weekend of October 15-16, 1994, is designated as "Small Towns and Townships Weekend", and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe such weekend with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

The joint resolution, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed.

Ms. NORTON submitted the following amendment to the preamble, which was agreed to:

"Whereas small towns and townships have been the spirit and backbone of this great Nation and have provided many common, traditional ideals and values throughout our history;

"Whereas it is appropriate to recognize the importance of small towns and townships in the development of a sense of community and to highlight the spirit of small towns and townships;

"Whereas it is vital to unify residents of small towns and townships in the process of revitalizing their own community and reinvigorating small-town life; and

"Whereas it is fitting that official recognition be given to the importance of small towns and townships and a weekend set aside for activities that are most commonly associated with small towns and townships, such as town festivals, family picnics, and baseball games: Now, therefore, be it"

The joint resolution, as amended, was ordered to be read a third time, was read a third time by title, and passed.

By unanimous consent, the title was amended so as to read: "Joint resolution designating the weekend of October 15-16, 1994, as 'Small Towns and Townships Weekend'".

A motion to reconsider the votes whereby said joint resolution was passed and the title and preamble were amended was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said joint resolution.

#### ¶122.47 VETERANS' BENEFITS IMPROVEMENTS

On motion of Mr. MONTGOMERY, by unanimous consent, the Committee on Veterans Affairs was discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5244) to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise and improve veterans' benefits programs, and for other purposes;

When said bill was considered and read twice.

Mr. MONTGOMERY submitted the following amendment which was agreed to:

Beginning on page 76, line 1, strike out all through page 81, line 11, and amend the table of contents.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read a third time by title, and passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said bill.

#### ¶122.48 WINDOW ROCK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

On motion of Mr. KILDEE, by unanimous consent, the Committee on Education and Labor was discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5220) to provide for the acceptance by the Secretary of Education of applications submitted by the local educational agency serving the Window Rock Unified School District, Window Rock, Arizona, under section 3 of the Act of September 30, 1950 (Public Law 874, 81st Congress) for fiscal years 1994 and 1995.

When said bill was considered, read twice, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read a third time by title, and passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said bill.

#### ¶122.49 PRINTING—TRIBUTE TO HONORABLE JAMIE L. WHITTEN

On motion of Mr. MANTON, by unanimous consent, the Committee on House Administration was discharged from further consideration of the following concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 314):

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring)*, That a collection of statements made in tribute to Representative Jamie L. Whitten, prepared under the supervision of the Joint Committee on Printing, shall be printed as a House document, with illustrations and suitable binding.

SEC. 2. In addition to the usual number, there shall be printed the lesser of—

(1) 1,850 copies (including 400 casebound copies) of the document, of which 550 copies (including 100 casebound copies) shall be for the use of the House of Representatives, 110 copies (including 100 casebound copies) shall be for the use of the Senate, and 1,190 copies (including 200 casebound copies) shall be for the use of the Joint Committee on Printing; or

(2) such number of copies of the document as does not exceed a total production and printing cost of \$19,527, with such copies to be allocated in the same proportion as described in paragraph (1).

When said concurrent resolution was considered and agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said concurrent resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said concurrent resolution.

#### ¶122.50 FEDERAL POWER ACT AMENDMENTS

On motion of Mr. SHARP, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (S. 2384) to extend the deadlines applicable to certain hydroelectric projects under the Federal Power Act, and for other purposes; was taken from the Speaker's table.

When said bill was considered and read twice.

Mr. SHARP submitted the following amendment in the nature of a substitute which was agreed to:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert:

#### SECTION 1. EXTENSIONS OF DEADLINES FOR HYDROPOWER PROJECTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the time limitations of section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, upon the request of the licensees for FERC Projects No. 3701, 3943, 3944, 4204, 4474, 4660, 4659, 4797, 6901, 6902, 9423, and 10228 (and after reasonable notice), is authorized, in accordance with the good faith, due diligence, and public interest requirements of such section 13 and the Commission's procedures under such section, to extend the time required for commencement of construction for each such project for a maximum of 2-years. This section shall take effect for each such project upon the expiration of the extension (issued by the Commission under such section 13 or by Act of Congress) of the period required for commencement of construction of such project.

(b) TERMINATION.—The authorization for issuing extensions under this section shall terminate 3 years after the date of enactment of this section. To facilitate requests for extensions, the Commission may consolidate the requests. The Commission shall, in the case of any project referenced in subsection (a) that has had more than 2 extensions under the Federal Power Act or any other provision of law, shall examine and, at the time of granting extensions under this Act, report to the Congress the reasons for delay in construction by each licensee and the Commission's views on the ability of the licensee to comply with the construction requirements of the Federal Power Act before the end of such extension.

#### SEC. 2. REINSTATEMENT

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission authorized and directed to reinstate effective May 23, 1993, in accordance with the good faith, due diligence, and public interest requirements of section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806) and the Commission's procedures under such section, the hydroelectric license previously issued for Project No. 7829. Commencement of construction within the meaning of section 13 of the Federal Power Act shall commence within 4 years of such date.

(b) TERMINATION.—The authorization under this section shall terminate 3 years after the date of enactment of this section.

#### SEC. 3. EXEMPTION OF PORTION OF EL VADO HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT FROM LICENSING REQUIREMENT OF PART I OF THE FEDERAL POWER ACT.

(a) EXEMPTION.—The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission shall provide that the 69 KV transmission line, including the right-of-way, which originates in the switchyard of the El Vado Hydroelectric Project, New Mexico (FERC project numbered 5226) and extends north to the Spills Switching Station operated by the Northern Rio Arriba Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("NORA"), located in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico may be exempt for the term of the applicable license from so much of part I of the Federal Power Act as the Commission deems necessary to permit NORA to effectively and prudently utilize its system in conjunction with, and in furtherance of, the license unless the Commission finds after reasonable notice that such exemption is not in the public interest. The Commission shall initiate this action upon application of the licensee made within 120 days after the enactment of this Act, and the Commission shall provide such exemption without delay.