

conducted by the United States and eight other NATO nations—Canada, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Turkey, and the United Kingdom, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3932. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting concerning the establishment and operation of an organization to further the implementation of Continuous Acquisition and Life-cycle Support [CALS] within NATO. The participants who are contributing to the support of the NATO CALS Office—the executive arm of the organization which will be located on the premises of NATO Headquarters in Brussels—are Canada, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Turkey, the United Kingdom, and the United States, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3933. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LOA] to Turkey for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 95-01), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3934. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LOA] to France for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 95-02), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3935. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LOA] to Kuwait for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 95-05), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3936. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LOA] to Egypt for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 95-06), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3937. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting a copy of Transmittal No. A-95 which relates to enhancement or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in section 36(b)(1), AECA certification 92-20 of 27 April 1992, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b)(5)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3938. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Secretary's determination and certification that assistance to the countries of Europe and the Independent States of the former Soviet Union from funds appropriated or otherwise made available under that act is in the national interest of the United States; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3939. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report pursuant to section 1206 of the Cooperative Threat Reduction Act of 1993, title XII of Public Law 103-160 and the fiscal year 1994 DoD Appropriations Act, Public Law 103-139; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3940. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled, "To Approve the Location of the Thomas Paine Memorial"; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

3941. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to provide statutory authority for the surrender of fugitives and the provision of judicial assist-

ance to the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia, in accordance with the United States' obligations under U.N. Security Council Resolution No. 827; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

3942. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's 5-Year transportation program plan, pursuant to section 2021 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13431); jointly, to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Science, Space, and Technology.

3943. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Clean Energy Demonstration Project" proposed by Clean Energy Partners, L.P.; jointly, to the Committees on Energy and Commerce; Science, Space, and Technology, and Appropriations.

3944. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting the annual report of the Secretary of Commerce to the Congress for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1993, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1519; jointly, to the Committees on Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means; Government Operations; the Judiciary; Science, Space, and Technology; Post Office and Civil Service; Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs; Foreign Affairs; Merchant Marine and Fisheries; and Public Works and Transportation.

¶122.3 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Hallen, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment bills and a joint resolution of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 3050. An Act to expand the boundaries of the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area;

H.R. 3678. An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to negotiate agreements for the use of Outer Continental Shelf sand, gravel, and shell resources;

H.R. 4196. An Act to ensure that timber-dependent communities adversely affected by the Forest Plan for a Sustainable Economy and a Sustainable Environment qualify for loans and grants from the Rural Development Administration;

H.R. 4535. An Act to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 with respect to the extension of unlisted trading privileges for corporate securities, and for other purposes;

H.R. 4777. An Act to make technical improvements in the United States Code by amending provisions to reflect the current names of congressional committees;

H.R. 5084. An Act to amend title 13, United States Code, to improve the accuracy of census address lists, and for other purposes;

H.R. 5116. An Act to amend title 11 of the United States Code;

H.J. Res. 271. Joint resolution designating the month of November in each of calendar years 1993 and 1994 as "National American Indian Heritage Month."

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4278) "An Act to make improvements in the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program under title I of the Social Security Act."

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 783) "An Act to amend title III of the Immigration and Na-

tionality Act to make changes in the laws relating to nationality and naturalization" with amendments.

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2440) "An Act to amend the Independent Safety Board Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1994, 1995, and 1996, and for other purposes."

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills, a joint resolution, and a concurrent resolution of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 560. An Act to further the goals of the Paperwork Reduction Act to have Federal agencies become more responsible and publicly accountable for reducing the burden of Federal paperwork on the public, and for other purposes;

S. 1413. An Act to amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as amended, to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Office of Government Ethics for eight years, and for other purposes;

S. 2433. An Act to amend title VIII of the Public Health Service Act to consolidate and reauthorize nursing education programs under such title, and for other purposes;

S.J. Res. 188. Joint resolution to designate 1995 the "Year of the Girl Child"; and

S. Con. Res. 66. Concurrent resolution to recognize and encourage the convening of a National Silver Haired Congress.

The message also announced that the Senate agreed to the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 1614) "An Act to amend the Children Nutrition Act of 1966 and the National School Lunch Act to promote healthy eating habits for children and to extend certain authorities contained in such Acts through fiscal year 1998, and for other purposes."

¶122.4 ORDER OF BUSINESS—PRIVATE CALENDAR BUSINESS

On motion of Mr. BOUCHER, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That business in order under clause 6, rule XXIV, the Private Calendar rule, be in order today.

¶122.5 PRIVATE CALENDAR

Pursuant to clause 6, rule XXIV, and the special order heretofore agreed to, The SPEAKER directed the Private Calendar to be called.

When,

¶122.6 BILLS PASSED

The bills of the following titles were severally considered, read twice, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, were severally read a third time by title, and passed:

H.R. 3344. A bill for the relief of Lloyd B. Gamble.

H.R. 3917. A bill for the relief of Arthur A. Carron, Jr.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said bills, severally.

¶122.7 BILLS PASSED OVER

By unanimous consent, the bills of the following titles were severally passed over without prejudice and retain their places on the Private Calendar:

H.R. 1184. A bill for the relief of Jung Ja Golden.

H.R. 2084. A bill for the relief of Fanie Phily Mateo Angeles.

H.R. 3718. A bill for the relief of Mark A. Potts.

Motions severally made to reconsider the votes whereby each bill on the Private Calendar was disposed of today were, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

¶122.8 PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE— RETURN OF SENATE BILL

Mr. GIBBONS rose to a question of the privileges of the House and submitted the following resolution (H. Res. 577):

Resolved, That the bill of the Senate (S. 1216) entitled the "Crow Boundary Settlement Act of 1994", in the opinion of this House, contravenes the first clause of the seventh section of the first article of the Constitution of the United States and is an infringement of the privileges of this House and that such bill be respectfully returned to the Senate with a message communicating this resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MAZZOLI, ruled that the resolution submitted did present a question of the privileges of the House under rule IX, and recognized Mr. GIBBONS and Mr. HERGER, each for thirty minutes.

After debate,

By unanimous consent, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection.

The question being put viva voce,

Will the House agree to said resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MAZZOLI, announced that the yeas had it.

So the resolution was agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶122.9 VETERANS HEALTH IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 1993

On motion of Mr. MONTGOMERY, by unanimous consent, the bill (H.R. 3313) to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve health care services of the Department of Veterans Affairs relating to women veterans, to extend and expand authority for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide priority health care to veterans who were exposed to ionizing radiation or to Agent Orange, to expand the scope of services that may be provided to veterans through Vet Centers, and for other purposes; together with the following amendments of the Senate thereto, was taken from the Speaker's table:

Strike all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Veterans Benefits and Services Amendments of 1994".

SEC. 2 REVISION IN COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE GUARANTY FOR HOME LOANS.

Section 3702(b) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking out paragraph (1) and inserting in lieu thereof the following new paragraph (1):

"(1) the loan has been repaid in full, or the Secretary has been released from liability as to the loan, or if the Secretary has suffered a loss on the loan, the loss has been paid in full; or";

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking out "or" and inserting in lieu thereof a period; and

(3) by striking out paragraph (3).

SEC. 3. AUTHORITY TO GUARANTEE HOME REFINANCE LOANS FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS.

(a) LOANS.—Section 3710(a) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding after paragraph (10) the following:

"(11) To refinance in accordance with subsection (e) of this section an existing loan guaranteed, insured, or made under this chapter, and to improve the dwelling securing such loan through energy efficiency improvements, as provided in subsection (d) of this section."

(b) AMOUNT OF GUARANTY.—Section 3710(e)(1) of such title is amended—

(1) in the matter above subparagraph (A), by inserting "or subsection (a)(11)" after "subsection (a)(8)"; and

(2) by amending subparagraph (C) to read as follows:

"(C) the amount of the loan may not exceed—

"(i) an amount equal to the sum of the balance of the loan being refinanced and such closing costs (including any discount permitted pursuant to section 3703(c)(3)(A) of this title) as may be authorized by the Secretary, under regulations which the Secretary shall prescribe, to be included in such loan; or

"(ii) in the case of a loan for a purpose specified in such subsection (a)(11), an amount equal to the sum of the amount referred to with respect to the loan under clause (i) of this subparagraph and the amount specified under subsection (d)(2) of this section;"

(c) FEE.—Section 3729(a)(2)(E) of such title is amended by inserting "3710(a)(11)," after "3710(a)(9)(B)(i)."

SEC. 4. EXPANSION OF PERIOD OF VIETNAM ERA FOR CERTAIN VETERANS.

(a) EXPANSION OF ERA.—Section 101(29) of title 38, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"(29) The term 'Vietnam era' means—

"(A) the period beginning February 28, 1961, and ending on May 7, 1975, in the case of a veteran who served in the Republic of Vietnam during such period; and

"(B) the period beginning August 5, 1964, and ending on May 7, 1975, in all other cases."

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 1994. No person shall be entitled to receive by reason of the amendment made by subsection (a) any benefits for any period before such date.

SEC. 5. EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN PAYMENTS TO ALASKA NATIVES FROM DETERMINATION OF ANNUAL INCOME FOR PURPOSES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR PENSION.

Section 1503(a) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking out "and" at the end of paragraph (9);

(2) by striking out the period at the end of paragraph (10)(B) and inserting in lieu thereof "and"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(11) cash, stock, land, or other interest referred to in subparagraphs (A) through (E) below paragraph (3) of section 29(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1626(c)), whether attributable to the disposition of real property, profits from the operation of real property, or otherwise, that is received from a Native Corporation under such Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.)."

SEC. 6. AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR USE OF PROPERTY AT EDWARD HINES, JR., DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may enter into a long-term lease or similar agreement with the organization known as the The Caring Place at Loyola, Inc., a not-for-profit organization operating under the laws of the State of Illinois, to permit that organization to establish on the grounds of the Edward Hines, Jr., Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Hines, Illinois, a facility to provide temporary accommodations for family members of severely ill children who are being treated at the Loyola University of Chicago Medical Center.

(b) TERMS OF AGREEMENT.—An agreement under subsection (a)—

(1) shall ensure that there shall be no cost to the Federal Government as a result of the property use authorized under that subsection;

(2) may permit the use of the property without rent; and

(3) shall, to the extent practicable, ensure that one room of the facility is available for the use of a veteran (at no cost to the veteran) as temporary accommodations for the veteran while the veteran's severely ill child is treated at the Loyola University of Chicago Medical Center.

Amend the title so as to read: "To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit home loan guaranties for energy efficiency improvements, to extend the period of the Vietnam era, to exclude certain payments to Alaska natives from annual income determinations for pension purposes, and for other purposes."

On motion of Mr. MONTGOMERY, said Senate amendments were agreed to with the following amendment:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the amendment to the Senate to the text of the bill, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Veterans Health Programs Extension Act of 1994".

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. References to title 38, United States Code.

TITLE I—GENERAL MEDICAL AUTHORITIES

Sec. 101. Sexual trauma counseling and services.

Sec. 102. Research relating to women veterans.

Sec. 103. Extension of expiring authorities.

Sec. 104. Facilities in Republic of the Philippines.

Sec. 105. Savings provision.

TITLE II—CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION

Sec. 201. Authorization of major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases.

Sec. 202. Authorization of appropriations.

SEC. 2. REFERENCES TO TITLE 38, UNITED STATES CODE.

Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of title 38, United States Code.

TITLE I—GENERAL MEDICAL AUTHORITIES

SEC. 101. SEXUAL TRAUMA COUNSELING AND SERVICES.

(a) AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE TREATMENT SERVICES FOR SEXUAL TRAUMA; REPEAL OF