

legislation entitled the "Maritime Administration Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999," pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; jointly, to the Committees on National Security and Transportation and Infrastructure.

29.4 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Sherman Williams, one of his secretaries.

29.5 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. McDevitt, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 412. An Act to approve a settlement agreement between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Oroville-Tonasket Irrigation District.

29.6 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Mr. DREIER, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 107):

Resolved, That it shall be in order at any time on Wednesday, April 9, 1997, or on Thursday, April 10, 1997, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules. The Speaker or his designee shall consult with the minority leader or his designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this resolution.

When said resolution was considered,

29.7 WORDS TAKEN DOWN

Mr. MILLER of California during debate, addressed the House and, during the course of his remarks,

Mr. DELAY demanded that certain words be taken down.

The Clerk read the words taken down as follows:

If you give \$10,000, you can have a meeting. You know what you get, ladies and gentlemen? You get seats in the gallery. You the public get seats in the gallery. You know what big donors get? They get access to leadership power and decisions. That is under the existing system, and that is why we are saying it has to be reformed. Two years ago we watched as top lobbyists sat in the majority whip's office and drafted legislation to the Clean Water Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GUTKNECHT, held the words taken down not to be unparliamentary, and said:

"In the opinion of the Chair, there was no direct reference to a Member specifically performing a quid pro quo. Therefore, the Chair will rule that the words are not unparliamentary."

Accordingly,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GUTKNECHT, recognized Mr. MILLER of California to proceed in order.

After debate,

Mr. DREIER moved the previous question on the resolution to its adoption or rejection.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House now order the previous question?

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

Ms. SLAUGHTER objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

A quorum not being present,

The roll was called under clause 4, rule XV, and the call was taken by electronic device.

When there appeared { Yeas ..... 213  
Nays ..... 196

29.8 [Roll No. 74] YEAS—213

Aderholt	Gillmor	Oxley
Archer	Gilman	Packard
Armey	Goodlatte	Pappas
Bachus	Goodling	Parker
Baker	Goss	Paul
Barrett (NE)	Graham	Paxon
Bartlett	Greenwood	Pease
Bass	Gutknecht	Peterson (PA)
Bateman	Hansen	Petri
Bereuter	Hastert	Pickering
Bilbray	Hastings (WA)	Pitts
Bilirakis	Hayworth	Pombo
Bliley	Hefley	Portman
Blunt	Herger	Pryce (OH)
Boehler	Hill	Quinn
Boehner	Hilleary	Radanovich
Bonilla	Hobson	Ramstad
Bono	Hoekstra	Regula
Brady	Horn	Riggs
Bryant	Hostettler	Riley
Bunning	Houghton	Rogan
Burr	Hulshof	Rogers
Burton	Hunter	Rohrabacher
Buyer	Hutchinson	Ros-Lehtinen
Callahan	Hyde	Roukema
Calvert	Inglis	Royce
Camp	Jenkins	Salmon
Campbell	Johnson (CT)	Sanford
Canady	Johnson, Sam	Saxton
Cannon	Jones	Scarborough
Castle	Kasich	Schaefer, Dan
Chabot	Kelly	Schaffer, Bob
Chenoweth	Kim	Sensenbrenner
Christensen	King (NY)	Sessions
Coble	Kingston	Shadegg
Coburn	Klug	Shaw
Collins	Knollenberg	Shays
Combest	Kolbe	Shimkus
Cook	LaHood	Shuster
Cooksey	Largent	Skeen
Cox	Latham	Smith (MI)
Crane	LaTourrette	Smith (NJ)
Crapo	Lazio	Smith (OR)
Cubin	Leach	Smith (TX)
Cunningham	Lewis (CA)	Smith, Linda
Davis (VA)	Lewis (KY)	Snowbarger
Deal	Linder	Solomon
DeLay	Livingston	Souder
Diaz-Balart	LoBiondo	Spence
Dickey	Lucas	Stearns
Dreier	Manzullo	Stump
Duncan	McCollum	Sununu
Dunn	McCrery	Talent
Ehlers	McDade	Tauzin
Ehrlich	McHugh	Taylor (NC)
Emerson	McInnis	Thomas
English	McIntosh	Thornberry
Ensign	McKeon	Thune
Everett	Metcalfe	Tiahrt
Ewing	Mica	Upton
Foley	Miller (FL)	Walsh
Forbes	Molinari	Wamp
Fowler	Moran (KS)	Watkins
Fox	Morella	Weldon (FL)
Franks (NJ)	Myrick	Weldon (PA)
Frelinghuysen	Nethercutt	Weller
Galleghy	Neumann	White
Ganske	Ney	Whitfield
Gekas	Northup	Wicker
Gibbons	Norwood	Wolf
Gilchrist	Nussle	Young (FL)

NAYS—196

Abercrombie	Bonior	Clyburn
Ackerman	Borski	Condit
Allen	Boswell	Conyers
Baesler	Boucher	Costello
Baldacci	Brown (CA)	Coyne
Barcia	Brown (FL)	Cramer
Barrett (WI)	Brown (OH)	Cummings
Bentsen	Capps	Danner
Berman	Cardin	Davis (FL)
Berry	Clay	Davis (IL)
Blagojevich	Clayton	DeFazio
Blumenauer	Clement	DeGette

DeLauro	Kildee	Pomeroy
Dellums	Kilpatrick	Poshard
Deutsch	Kind (WI)	Price (NC)
Dicks	Kleczka	Rahall
Dingell	Klink	Rangel
Dixon	Kucinich	Reyes
Doggett	LaFalce	Rivers
Dooley	Lampson	Roemer
Doyle	Lantos	Rothman
Edwards	Levin	Roybal-Allard
Engel	Lewis (GA)	Rush
Eshoo	Lipinski	Sabo
Etheridge	Lofgren	Sanchez
Evans	Lowey	Sanders
Fattah	Luther	Sandlin
Fazio	Maloney (CT)	Sawyer
Flake	Maloney (NY)	Schumer
Foglietta	Manton	Scott
Ford	Markey	Serrano
Frank (MA)	Martinez	Sherman
Frost	Mascara	Sisisky
Furse	Matsui	Skaggs
Gejdenson	McCarthy (MO)	Skelton
Gephardt	McDermott	Slaughter
Gonzalez	McGovern	Smith, Adam
Goode	McHale	Snyder
Gordon	McIntyre	Spratt
Green	McKinney	Stabenow
Gutierrez	McNulty	Stenholm
Hall (OH)	Meehan	Stokes
Hall (TX)	Meek	Strickland
Hamilton	Menendez	Stupak
Harman	Millender-McDonald	Tanner
Hastings (FL)	Miller (CA)	Tauscher
Hilliard	Minge	Taylor (MS)
Hinchee	Mink	Thompson
Hinojosa	Moakley	Thurman
Holden	Mollohan	Tierney
Hooley	Moran (VA)	Torres
Hoyer	Murtha	Towns
Jackson (IL)	Nadler	Trafficant
Jackson-Lee (TX)	Neal	Turner
Jefferson	Oberstar	Velazquez
John	Obey	Vento
Johnson (WI)	Olver	Visclosky
Johnson, E. B.	Ortiz	Waters
Kanjorski	Owens	Watt (NC)
Kaptur	Pallone	Waxman
Kennedy (MA)	Pascarell	Wexler
Kennedy (RI)	Pastor	Weygand
Kennelly	Payne	Wise
	Pelosi	Woolsey
	Pickett	Wynn
		Yates

NOT VOTING—23

Andrews	Chambliss	Peterson (MN)
Balenger	Doolittle	Porter
Barr	Fawell	Ryun
Barton	Filner	Schiff
Becerra	Granger	Stark
Bishop	Hefner	Watts (OK)
Boyd	Istook	Young (AK)
Carson	McCarthy (NY)	

So the previous question on the resolution was ordered.

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House agree to said resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GUTKNECHT, 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.

29.9 VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Mr. MICA moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 240) to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that consideration may not be denied to preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service, and for other purposes; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GUTKNECHT, recognized Mr. MICA and Mr. HOLDEN, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill, as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GUTKNECHT, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said bill, as amended, was passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

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

#### ¶29.10 COMMITTEE ELECTION—MAJORITY

Mr. MICA, by direction of the Republican Conference, submitted the following privileged resolution (H. Res. 108):

*Resolved.* That the following named Member be, and he is hereby, elected to the following standing committee of the House of Representatives:

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Mr. Portman.

When said resolution was considered and agreed to.

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

#### ¶29.11 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, laid before the House a message from the President, which was read as follows:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

A passion for discovery and a sense of adventure have always driven this Nation forward. These deeply rooted American qualities spur our determination to explore new scientific frontiers and spark our can-do spirit of technological innovation. Continued American leadership depends on our enduring commitment to science, to technology, to learning, to research.

Science and technology are transforming our world, providing an age of possibility and a time of change as profound as we have seen in a century. We are well-prepared to shape this change and seize the opportunities so as to enable every American to make the most of their God-given promise. One of the most important ways to realize this vision is through thoughtful investments in science and technology. Such investments drive economic growth, generate new knowledge, create new jobs, build new industries, ensure our national security, protect the environment, and improve the health and quality of life of our people.

This biennial report to the Congress brings together numerous elements of our integrated investment agenda to promote scientific research, catalyze technological innovation, sustain a sound business environment for research and development, strengthen national security, build global stability, and advance educational quality

and equality from grade school to graduate school. Many achievements are presented in the report, together with scientific and technological opportunities deserving greater emphasis in the coming years.

Most of the Federal research and education investment portfolio enjoyed bipartisan support during my first Administration. With the start of a new Administration, I hope to extend this partnership with the Congress across the entire science and technology portfolio. Such a partnership to stimulate scientific discovery and new technologies will take America into the new century well-equipped for the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.

The future, it is often said, has no constituency. But the truth is, we must all be the constituency of the future. We have a duty—to ourselves, to our children, to future generations—to make these farsighted investments in science and technology to help us master this moment of change and to build a better America for the 21st century.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, April 9, 1997.

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Science.

#### ¶29.12 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted—

To Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, for today;

To Mrs. CARSON, for today;

To Mr. SCHIFF, for today and balance of the week; and

To Mr. PORTER, for today.

¶29.13 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Ms. JACKSON-LEE, at 4 o'clock and 53 minutes p.m., the House adjourned.

#### ¶29.14 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. H.R. 1092. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into enhanced-use leases for Department of Veterans Affairs property, to rename the U.S. Court of Veterans Appeals and the National Cemetery System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-47). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

#### ¶29.15 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. HYDE (for himself, Mr. COBLE, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. BONO, Mr. BRYANT, and Mr. GOODLATTE):

H.R. 1252. A bill to modify the procedures of the Federal courts in certain matters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey:

H.R. 1253. A bill to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for the fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. CLAY, Ms. DANNER, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. HULSHOF, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. SKELTON, and Mr. TALENT):

H.R. 1254. A bill to designate the U.S. post office building located at Bennett and Kansas Avenue in Springfield, MO, as the "John N. Griesemer Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Ms. ESHOO (for herself, Mr. FROST, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. FARR of California, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Ms. SLAUGHTER):

H.R. 1255. A bill to amend the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to establish certain additional requirements relating to electronic and information technology accessibility guidelines for individuals with disabilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. FORBES:

H.R. 1256. A bill to authorize the exchange of National Park Service land in the Fire Island National Seashore in the State of New York for land in the Village of Patchogue, Suffolk County, NY; to the Committee on Resources.

H.R. 1257. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish, and provide a checkoff for, a biomedical research fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. FRANKS of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. HORN, Mr. KIM, Ms. MOLINARI, and Mr. ROHRBACHER):

H.R. 1258. A bill to require the Attorney General to conduct a pilot program under which the Attorney General will notify a State of potential employment opportunities for welfare recipients in the State created by the removal of unauthorized aliens from work sites, and to reward pilot program States with a high rate of success in placing such recipients in such employment positions; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. STARK, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. YATES, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. EVANS, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. DELAHUNT, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. TOWNS):

H.R. 1259. A bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to lift the trade embargoes on dolphin-safe tuna harvested in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. UPTON (for himself, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BALDACCINI, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. BROWN of