

Members were recognized for "morning-hour debate".

¶39.2 RECESS—1:05 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BLILEY, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess until 2 p.m.

¶39.3 AFTER RECESS—2 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, called the House to order.

¶39.4 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Monday, April 28, 1997.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

¶39.5 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

3027. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting his requests for fiscal year 1997 supplemental appropriations totaling \$8,605,000 for the Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture and appropriations totaling \$19,700,000 for the Department of Energy for activities associated with tritium remediation, and two fiscal year 1998 budget amendments involving the Department of Transportation's Maritime Security Program and the John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Review Board, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1107 (H. Doc. No. 105-78); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

3028. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's "Major" final rule—Addition of Facilities in Certain Industry Sectors: Revised Interpretation of Otherwise Use; Toxic Release Inventory Reporting; Community Right-to-Know [OPPTS-400104D; FRL-5578-3] (RIN: 2070-AC71) received April 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3029. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Current Good Manufacturing Practice for Finished Pharmaceuticals; Positron Emission Tomography [Docket No. 94N-0421] (RIN: 0910-AA45) received April 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3030. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Drug Labeling; Sodium Labeling for Over-the-Counter Drugs; Partial Delay of Effective Date [Docket No. 90N-0309] received April 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3031. A letter from the Director, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, transmitting a copy of the Agency's annual audit, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2421(e)(2); to the Committee on International Relations.

3032. A letter from the Acting Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting a list of all reports issued or released in March 1997, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 719(h); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3033. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the biennial report on

the quality of water in the Colorado River Basin (Progress Report No. 18, January 1997), pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1596; to the Committee on Resources.

3034. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; High Seas Salmon Fishery Off Alaska [Docket No. 970326069-7069-01; I.D. 022597F] (RIN: 0648-AJ38) received April 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3035. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod Fishery Category by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bycatch Limitation Zone I [Docket No. 961107312-7021-02; I.D. 042297C] received April 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3036. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Shortraker and Rougheye Rockfish in the Aleutian Islands Subarea [Docket No. 961107312-7021-02; I.D. 042197A] received April 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3037. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary (Tax Policy), Department of the Treasury, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the "Statistical Use" subsection of the Internal Revenue Code; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3038. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Weighter Average Interest Rate Update [Notice 97-27] received April 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3039. A letter from the Executive Director, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting a copy of a letter that the D.C. Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority sent the President requesting an additional appropriation of \$52,379,000 for fiscal year 1997, pursuant to Public Law 104-8, section 207(a); jointly, to the Committees on Government Reform and Oversight and Appropriations.

¶39.6 WELFARE REFORM

Mr. SHAW moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1048) to make technical amendments relating to the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, recognized Mr. SHAW and Mr. LEVIN, 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. SNOWBARGER, 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.

¶39.7 CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM CONTRACTS

Mr. SMITH of Oregon moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1342) to provide for a one-year enrollment in the conservation reserve of land covered by expiring conservation reserve program contracts; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, recognized Mr. SMITH of Oregon and Mr. STENHOLM, 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. SNOWBARGER, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

Mr. SKEEN demanded that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays, which demand was supported by one-fifth of the Members present, so the yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that further proceedings on the motion were postponed.

¶39.8 CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL

Mr. CASTLE moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 279) to award a congressional gold medal to Francis Albert Sinatra.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, recognized Mr. CASTLE and Mr. FLAKE, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. SNOWBARGER, 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 was passed.

On motion of Mr. CASTLE, by unanimous consent, the Committee on Banking and Financial Services was discharged from further consideration of the bill of the Senate (S. 305) to authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to Francis Albert "Frank" Sinatra in recognition of his outstanding and enduring contributions through his entertainment career and humanitarian activities, and for other purposes.

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

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

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.