

Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CAPPS, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FROST, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. SISISKY, and Mr. ORTIZ.

H. Res. 37: Mr. OWENS, Mr. RUSH, and Mr. CAMPBELL.

H. Res. 83: Mr. NADLER and Ms. SLAUGHTER.
H. Res. 182: Mr. DOYLE.

80.47 DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were deleted from public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 972: Mr. WYNN.
H.R. 1210: Mr. FATTAH.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 1997 (81)

81.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,
July 16, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable RAY LAHOOD to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

81.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, July 15, 1997.

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

81.3 COMMUNICATIONS

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

4219. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Almonds Grown in California; Order Amending the Marketing Order [Docket No. A0-214-A7; FV93-981-1] received July 15, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4220. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Almonds Grown in California; Revision to Requirements Regarding Inedible Almonds [Docket No. FV97-981-3 IFR] received July 15, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4221. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Soybean Promotion and Research: Amend the Order to Adjust Representation on the United Soybean Board [No. LS-97-005] received July 15, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4222. A letter from the Administrator, Farm Service Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Implementation of the Inventory Property Management Provisions of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 [Workplan Number 96-030] (RIN: 0560-AE88) received July 15, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4223. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's report on the Notice of Final Priority for fiscal year 1997 for the Rehabilitation Short-Term Training program, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.

801(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

4224. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan; Indiana [IN53-3; FRL-5860-4] received July 15, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4225. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries; 1997 Scup Recreational Fishery Measures [Docket No. 960520141-7159-06; I.D. 021897B] (RIN: 0648-AH05) received July 15, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4226. 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, Northern Rockfish in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 961126334-7025-02; I.D. 071097A] received July 15, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4227. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Section 1059 Extraordinary Dividends [TD 8724] (RIN: 1545-AU16) received July 15, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

81.4 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

81.5 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT-US-PRC AGREEMENT EXTENSION

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:

In accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.), I transmit herewith an Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the People's Republic of China Extending the Agreement of July 23, 1985, Concerning Fisheries Off the Coasts of the United States, with Annexes and Agreed Minutes, as amended and extended. This Agreement, which was effected by an exchange of notes at Beijing on June 6 and July 1, 1996, extends the 1985 Agreement to July 1, 1998.

In light of the importance of our fisheries relationship with the People's Republic of China, I urge that the Congress give favorable consideration to this Agreement at an early date.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, July 16, 1997.

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Resources and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-106).

81.6 VA-HUD APPROPRIATIONS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, pursuant to House Resolu-

tion 184 and rule XXIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2158) making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

Mr. COMBEST, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, resumed the chair; and after some time spent therein,

81.7 RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote by electronic device was ordered in the Committee of the Whole on the following amendment submitted by Mr. OBEY:

On page 7, line 6, after "\$16,958,846,000," insert "(increased by \$48,000,000)".

On page 57, line 7, after "\$321,646,000," insert "(decreased by \$60,000,000)".

It was decided in the { Yeas 322
affirmative } Nays 110

81.8 [Roll No. 276] AYES—322

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