

By Mr. DINGELL (for himself and Mr. RAHALL):

H.R. 2251. A bill to extend authorities under the Middle East Peace Facilitation Act of 1995; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Ms. FURSE:

H.R. 2252. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code to provide that capital gains not be recognized if invested in certain small businesses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GUTIERREZ (for himself, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FILNER, Ms. WATERS, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. LEACH, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. BONIOR, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. MANTON, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. FROST, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. CLYBURN, Mrs. THURMAN, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. CARSON, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. STARK, Mr. CAPPS, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. DELLUMS, and Ms. NORTON):

H.R. 2253. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise and improve the authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs relating to the provision of counseling and treatment for sexual trauma experienced by veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts (for himself, Ms. WATERS, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. BROWN of California, Ms. CARSON, Mr. COYNE, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. JACKSON, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. OLVER, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCOTT, and Mr. WAXMAN):

H.R. 2254. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for equity investments in community development financial institutions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KLECZKA:

H.R. 2255. A bill to provide that the firearms prohibitions applicable by reason of a domestic violence misdemeanor conviction do not apply to a government official engaged in official conduct while on duty; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

H.R. 2256. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to ensure that States do not require registration of individuals convicted of an offense that involves consensual sexual activity between individuals 18 years of age or older; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. STRICKLAND:

H.R. 2257. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to make modifications to the temporary housing assistance program; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. THOMAS (for himself, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. CALVERT, and Mr. SENSENBRENNER):

H.R. 2258. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for fair treatment of small property and casualty insurance companies; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 2259. A bill to provide for a transfer of land interests in order to facilitate surface transportation between the cities of Cold Bay, AK, and King Cove, AK, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. HOYER (for himself, Mr. HYDE, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SABO, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. SKAGGS):

H.J. Res. 88. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States repealing the 22d article of amendment to the Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEACH (for himself and Mr. GONZALEZ):

H. Con. Res. 120. Concurrent resolution to authorize the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a congressional ceremony honoring Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew; to the Committee on House Oversight.

By Ms. HARMAN:

H. Con. Res. 121. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding proliferation of missile technology from Russia to Iran; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. LANTOS:

H. Con. Res. 122. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding Israeli soldiers missing in action and calling upon governments and authorities in the Middle East to act to resolve these tragic cases; to the Committee on International Relations.

#### 186.44 PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

##### Under clause 1 of Rule XXII,

Mr. SCARBOROUGH introduced A bill (H.R. 2260) for the relief of Harold David Strother, Jr.; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### 186.45 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 12: Mr. RANGEL and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.

H.R. 44: Mr. MCGOVERN.

H.R. 51: Mr. GIBBONS.

H.R. 65: Mr. MCHALE and Mr. MCGOVERN.

H.R. 100: Mr. CONYERS and Mr. MCGOVERN.

H.R. 144: Ms. STABENOW.

H.R. 146: Mr. HAYWORTH.

H.R. 209: Mr. MANTON and Mr. DEUTSCH.

H.R. 303: Mr. MCGOVERN.

H.R. 332: Mr. TIAHRT.

H.R. 399: Mr. PASCRELL and Mr. LUTHER.

H.R. 532: Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. BARCIA of Michigan, Mr. CLYBURN, and Mr. STUMP.

H.R. 563: Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 622: Mr. GOODE.

H.R. 623: Ms. BROWN of Florida.

H.R. 659: Mr. POSHARD.

H.R. 691: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.

H.R. 695: Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. KLUG, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. CRANE, Mr. WAMP, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. THUNE, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado, and Mr. THORNBERRY.

H.R. 715: Mr. BOEHLERT and Mr. LATOURETTE.

H.R. 755: Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. COBLE, and Mrs. EMERSON.

H.R. 789: Mr. GRAHAM.

H.R. 815: Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 859: Mr. HANSEN, Mr. HERGER, Mr. TRAFICANT, and Mr. SAM JOHNSON.

H.R. 899: Ms. ESHOO and Mr. ROTHMAN.

H.R. 983: Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN.

H.R. 986: Mr. SNOWBARGER.

H.R. 991: Mr. DIAZ-BALART and Mr. DEUTSCH.

H.R. 1009: Mr. KOLBE.

H.R. 1047: Mr. RUSH and Mr. SHERMAN.

H.R. 1108: Mr. CALLAHAN.

H.R. 1126: Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota.

H.R. 1151: Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. TALENT, and Mr. OWENS.

H.R. 1165: Mr. ANDREWS.

H.R. 1260: Ms. RIVERS, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. SCOTT, and Mr. COX of California.

H.R. 1353: Mr. TANNER.

H.R. 1362: Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania and Mr. TALENT.

H.R. 1437: Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. PALLONE, and Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon.

H.R. 1480: Mr. RUSH.

H.R. 1539: Mr. PAPPAS.

H.R. 1541: Mr. MEEHAN.

H.R. 1544: Mr. CANADY, and Mr. BONIOR.

H.R. 1570: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 1608: Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. HOSTETTLER, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio.

H.R. 1614: Ms. FURSE and Mr. FOLEY.

H.R. 1619: Mr. BAESLER.

H.R. 1801: Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. VENTO, Mr. EHLERS, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, and Mr. TORRES.

H.R. 1824: Ms. DEGETTE and Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut.

H.R. 1839: Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 1880: Mr. OLVER.

H.R. 1903: Mr. FOLEY, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado, and Mr. DOYLE.

H.R. 1970: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 1971: Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 1972: Mr. MCINTOSH.

H.R. 1984: Mr. BONILLA, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. EHRlich, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. NEUMANN, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. BAKER, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. CALLAHAN.

H.R. 2040: Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky.

H.R. 2064: Ms. JACKSON-LEE.

H.R. 2118: Ms. PELOSI, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. MEEHAN.

H.R. 2122: Mr. ROTHMAN.

H.R. 2129: Mr. SAWYER.

H.R. 2139: Mr. CONDIT, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. KIND of Wisconsin, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. MINGE, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. KLECZKA, Ms. SANCHEZ, and Mr. POMEROY.

H.R. 2173: Mr. TURNER, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. SOLOMON, and Mr. SHERMAN.

H.R. 2185: Mr. TOWNS.

H.R. 2190: Mr. KING of New York.

H.R. 2195: Mr. ROYCE, Mr. HUNTER, and Mr. KING of New York.

H.R. 2198: Mr. MINGE.

H.R. 2200: Mr. LANTOS.

H.R. 2222: Mr. LIPINSKI.

H. J. Res. 70: Mr. HEFLEY and Mr. COX of California.

H. Con. Res. 6: Mr. GREEN.

H. Con. Res. 80: Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. KING of New York, and Mr. MCGOVERN.

H. Con. Res. 109: Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. HANSEN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, and Mr. DEFAZIO.

H. Res. 16: Mr. CRAMER, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. VENTO, and Mr. MINGE.

H. Res. 37: Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota; Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. GORDON, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. TIERNEY, and Mr. EDWARDS.

H. Res. 119: Mr. MCHALE.

H. Res. 166: Mr. GILCHRIST.

#### 186.46 DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

H.R. 695. Mr. ROTHMAN.

**FRIDAY, JULY 25, 1997 (87)**

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

§87.1 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, July 24, 1997.

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

§87.2 COMMUNICATIONS

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

4346. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Turkey (Transmittal No. 22-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4347. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Greece (Transmittal No. 23-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4348. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Turkey (Transmittal No. 21-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4349. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Turkey (Transmittal No. 20-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4350. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Greece (Transmittal No. 15-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4351. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Greece (Transmittal No. 14-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4352. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Greece (Transmittal No. 13-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4353. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Greece (Transmittal No. 12-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4354. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to the United Arab Emirates for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 97-29), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4355. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting

notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to the United Arab Emirates for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 97-28), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4356. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 97-26), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4357. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Turkey for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 97-31), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

4358. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting Semi-Annual Report on Program Activities to Facilitate Weapons Destruction and Nonproliferation in the Former Soviet Union, April 1, 1996 through September 30, 1996, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 5956; to the Committee on International Relations.

4359. A letter from the Director, Office of Public/Private Initiatives, International Trade Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—International Buyer Program (Formerly known as the Foreign Buyer Program); Support for Domestic Trade Shows [Docket No. 970702162-7162-01] received July 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

4360. A letter from the Mayor, District of Columbia, transmitting the actuaries review of benefit changes to the police officers and firefighters retirement programs, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-722(d)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

4361. 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, Pacific Ocean Perch in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 961126334-7025-02; I.D. 070397F] received July 23, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4362. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation making technical amendments to the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, and the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996, in order to clarify and correct the provisions therein; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4363. A letter from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense and Assistant Attorney General of the United States, transmitting a report of the Advisory Committee on Criminal Law Jurisdiction over Civilians Accompanying the Armed Forces in Time of Armed Conflict; jointly to the Committees on National Security and the Judiciary.

4364. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Maritime Terrorism: A Report to Congress," for Calendar Year 1996, pursuant to 46 U.S.C. app. 1802; jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Transportation and Infrastructure.

4365. A letter from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations to the Na-

tional Aeronautics and Space Administration for human space flight, science, aeronautics, and technology, mission support, and Inspector General, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; jointly to the Committees on Science and Government Reform and Oversight.

4366. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the final report on the 3-year Staff-Assisted Home Diagnostics Demonstration; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

§87.3 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2209

Ms. PRYCE, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 197):

*Resolved*, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 1(b) of rule XXIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2209) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. Points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 302 or 308 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule and shall be considered as read. Points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 or 6 of rule XXI are waived. No amendment shall be in order except those printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each amendment may be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment except as specified in the report, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against amendments printed in the report are waived. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may: (1) postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed question that follows another electronic vote without intervening business: *Provided*, That the minimum time for electronic voting on the first in any series of questions shall be fifteen minutes. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommend with or without instructions.

When said resolution was considered. After debate,

Ms. PRYCE 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. PEASE, announced that the yeas had it.