

United States to permit the Congress to relinquish claims of the United States to the portion of the State of Minnesota that lies north of the 49th parallel; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHIFF (for himself, Mr. REDMOND, and Mr. SKEEN):

H. Res. 389. A resolution celebrating the "New Mexico Cuatrocenenario", the 400th anniversary commemoration of the first permanent Spanish settlement in New Mexico; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

#### ¶21.21 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 277: Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, and Mr. PASCRELL.

H.R. 431: Mrs. TAUSCHER.

H.R. 616: Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. NETHERCUTT, and Mr. KUCINICH.

H.R. 716: Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado and Mrs. NORTHUP.

H.R. 815: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

H.R. 859: Mr. BERRY and Mr. SMITH of Michigan.

H.R. 979: Mr. ROGERS, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. CANNON, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. CUMMINGS, and Mr. HOYER.

H.R. 1047: Mr. PASCRELL.

H.R. 1059: Mr. ADERHOLT and Mr. CANNON.

H.R. 1126: Mr. RAHALL.

H.R. 1159: Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin.

H.R. 1261: Mr. PICKETT, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. GOODE.

H.R. 1283: Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. MCCREY, Mr. KLUG, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. WHITE, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. CALLAHAN, and Mr. DICKS.

H.R. 1299: Mr. COOK.

H.R. 1334: Mr. JACKSON.

H.R. 1362: Mrs. FOWLER, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.

H.R. 1375: Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DICKS, Mr. WAMP, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. SPRATT, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

H.R. 1376: Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. McNULTY, and Mr. BLAGOJEVICH.

H.R. 1766: Mr. FARR of California, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. Hinojosa, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. WAMP, and Mr. KIM.

H.R. 2050: Mr. ABERCROMBIE.

H.R. 2052: Mr. MCGOVERN.

H.R. 2094: Mr. MCGOVERN.

H.R. 2257: Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, and Mr. GREEN.

H.R. 2305: Mr. COBLE and Mrs. MYRICK.

H.R. 2351: Mr. CLYBURN.

H.R. 2409: Mr. MINGE.

H.R. 2537: Mr. RAHALAN and Mr. HANSEN.

H.R. 2538: Mr. GONZALEZ.

H.R. 2681: Ms. KILPATRICK and Mr. CLEMENT.

H.R. 2715: Mr. STUMP.

H.R. 2912: Mr. MCINTOSH.

H.R. 2923: Mr. HORN, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mr. TAUZIN, Mrs. KELLY, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. KLECZKA, and Mr. HINCHEY.

H.R. 2925: Mr. MCCOLLUM.

H.R. 2936: Mr. CHRISTENSEN.

H.R. 2941: Mrs. MYRICK.

H.R. 2945: Mr. EWING.

H.R. 2990: Mr. THUNE, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. HOYER, Mr. JENKINS, and Mr. WATT of North Carolina.

H.R. 3014: Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 3027: Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 3028: Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 3050: Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. WYNN, and Mr. WOLF.

H.R. 3070: Mr. SANDERS.

H.R. 3126: Mr. HINCHEY.

H.R. 3211: Ms. RIVERS, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. SANDLIN, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. MANTON, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. GOODE, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. TALENT, Mr. CAMP, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. FOLEY, and Ms. FURSE.

H.R. 3215: Mr. TALENT, Mr. ARMEY, and Mr. GALLEGLY.

H.R. 3246: Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. RIGGS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. BOB SCHAFFER, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. UPTON, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, and Mr. STENHOLM.

H.R. 3259: Mr. GREEN.

H.R. 3292: Mr. MATSUI, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. FALCOMVAEGA, Mr. FROST, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. BONIOR, and Mr. TOWNS.

H.R. 3295: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. EDWARDS, and Mr. BOEHLERT.

H.R. 3310: Mr. SANDLIN, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. TALENT, Mr. GEJENSON, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. MICA, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. COX of California, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. POMBO, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. HORN, and Mr. EHRLICH.

H.R. 3336: Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. CANADY of Florida, and Mr. MCCOLLUM.

H.R. 3338: Mr. CLYBURN and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 3376: Mr. KILDEE and Mr. CAMP.

H.R. 3438: Mr. BATEMAN.

H.R. 3459: Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 3470: Mrs. THURMAN, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, and Ms. FURSE.

H. Con. Res. 188: Mr. MENENDEZ.

H. Con. Res. 203: Mr. KLECZKA.

H. Res. 340: Mr. HINCHEY.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 1998 (22)

#### ¶22.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

March 19, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable VITO FOSSELLA to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

#### ¶22.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. FOSSELLA, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, March 18, 1998.

Mr. ROGAN, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, objected to the Chair's approval of the Journal.

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House agree to the Chair's approval of said Journal?

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

Mr. ROGAN objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. FOSSELLA, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that the vote would be postponed until later today.

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

#### ¶22.3 COMMUNICATIONS

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

8099. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Tomatoes Grown in Florida and Imported Tomatoes; Final Rule to Change Minimum Grade Requirements [Docket No. FV98-966-1 FR] received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8100. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Raisins Produced from Grapes Grown in California; Final Free and Reserve Percentages for 1997-1998 Crop Natural (Sun-Dried) Seedless and Zante Currant Raisins [FV98-989-1 IFR] received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8101. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Titanium Dioxide; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [OPP-300632; FRL-5779-3] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8102. A letter from the Deputy Executive Director, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Distribution of Customer Property Related to Trading on the Chicago Board of Trade-London International Financial Futures and Options Exchange Trading Link [17 CFR Part 190] received February 23, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8103. A letter from the the Director, the Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the cumulative report on rescissions and deferrals of budget authority as of March 1, 1998, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 685(e); (H. Doc. No. 105-232); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

8104. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Veterans Employment Emphasis [DFARS Case 97-D314] received March 9, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

8105. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a report regarding actions to combat terrorism, pursuant to Public Law 105-85; to the Committee on National Security.

8106. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Housing Improvement Program (RIN: 1076-AD52) received February 25, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

8107. A letter from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Mergers or Conversions of Federally Insured Credit Unions to Non Credit Union Status; NCUA Approval [12 CFR Part 708a] received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

8108. A letter from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting a

draft of proposed legislation to repeal and streamline a wide range of programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

8109. A letter from the Director, Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Assistance Regulations; Acquisition Regulations; Revisions to Rights in Data Regulations (RIN: 1991-AB33) received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8110. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Petroleum Refineries [AD-FRL-5976-3] received March 12, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8111. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Ambassador Frank Wisner's report on Russian-Iranian missile cooperation; to the Committee on International Relations.

8112. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting the Annual Performance Plan for fiscal year 1999, pursuant to Public Law 103-62; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8113. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8114. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's final rule—Amendments to the Office of Government Ethics Rules under the Equal Access to Justice Act (RIN: 3209-AA20) received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8115. A letter from the Deputy Associate Director for Royalty Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting notification of proposed refunds of excess royalty payments in OCS areas, pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1339(b); to the Committee on Resources.

8116. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Closure [Docket No. 980129023-8023-01; I.D. 030498B] received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

8117. 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 Cod in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 971208295-7295-01; I.D. 030998A] received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

8118. 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; Pollock in the Eastern Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 971208295-7295-01; I.D. 030698D] received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

8119. 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; Gulf of Alaska; Final 1998 Harvest Specifications for Groundfish [Docket No. 971208297-8054-02; I.D. 112097A] received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

8120. 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; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Framework Adjustment 24 [Docket No. 971030259-8039-02; I.D. 101497C] received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

8121. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Periods of Lawful Temporary Resident Status and Lawful Permanent Resident Status to Establish Seven Years of Lawful Domicile [INS No. 1748-96; AG Order No. 2063-96] (RIN: 1115-AE27) received March 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8122. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Taxation of fringe benefits [Revenue Ruling 98-14] received March 16, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8123. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Low-Income Housing Credit [Revenue Ruling 98-13] received March 16, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8124. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Interest Rate [Revenue Ruling 98-17] received March 17, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8125. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Copyright/Trademark/Trade Name Protection; Disclosure of Information [T.D. 98-2] (RIN: 1515-AB28) received March 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8126. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—General Enforcement Provisions; Removal of Agency Management Regulations [T.D. 98-22] (RIN: 1515-AC02) received March 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8127. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Customs Service Field Organization; Designation of Kodiak, Alaska, as a Customs Port of Entry [T.D. 98-24] received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8128. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Publication of Filer Codes [T.D. 98-25] (RIN: 1515-AB27) received March 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

22.4 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment concurrent resolutions of the House of the following titles:

H. Con. Res. 206. Concurrent resolution permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol

for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust.

H. Con. Res. 238. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a breast cancer survivors event sponsored by the National Race for the Cure.

The message also announced that the Senate passed a concurrent resolution of the following title, in which concurrence of the House is requested:

S. Con. Res. 85. Concurrent resolution calling for an end to the violent repression of the people of Kosovo.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 102-246, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, appoints John W. Kluge, of New York, as a member of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board, for a term of five years.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105-119, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, appoints A. Mark Neuman, of Illinois, to serve as a member of the Census Monitoring Board, vice Max W. Williams, of Mississippi.

22.5 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2870

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 388):

*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. 2870) to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. 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 International Relations. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on International Relations now printed in the bill. The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition on the basis of whether the Member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 6 of rule XXIII. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. 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 15 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.

Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. 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,

On motion of Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, 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. LAHOOD, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, 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 ..... 411  
Nays ..... 0

¶22.6 [Roll No. 59]  
YEAS—411

Abercrombie	Carson	Everett
Ackerman	Castle	Ewing
Aderholt	Chabot	Farr
Allen	Chambliss	Fattah
Andrews	Chenoweth	Fawell
Archer	Christensen	Fazio
Armey	Clay	Filner
Bachus	Clayton	Foley
Baesler	Clement	Forbes
Baker	Clyburn	Ford
Baldacci	Coble	Fossella
Ballenger	Coburn	Fowler
Barcia	Collins	Fox
Barr	Combust	Frank (MA)
Barrett (NE)	Condit	Franks (NJ)
Barrett (WI)	Conyers	Frelinghuysen
Bartlett	Cook	Furse
Barton	Cooksey	Ganske
Bass	Costello	Gejdenson
Bateman	Cox	Gekas
Becerra	Coyne	Gibbons
Bentsen	Cramer	Gilchrest
Bereuter	Crapo	Gillmor
Berman	Cubin	Gilman
Berry	Cummings	Goode
Bilbray	Danner	Goodlatte
Bilirakis	Davis (FL)	Goodling
Bishop	Davis (IL)	Gordon
Blagojevich	Davis (VA)	Goss
Bliley	Deal	Graham
Blumenauer	DeFazio	Granger
Blunt	DeGette	Green
Boehlert	Delahunt	Greenwood
Boehner	DeLauro	Gutierrez
Bonilla	DeLay	Hall (OH)
Bonior	Deutsch	Hall (TX)
Borski	Diaz-Balart	Hamilton
Boswell	Dickey	Hansen
Boucher	Dicks	Harman
Boyd	Dingell	Hastert
Brady	Dixon	Hastings (FL)
Brown (CA)	Doggett	Hastings (WA)
Brown (FL)	Dooley	Hayworth
Brown (OH)	Doolittle	Hefley
Bryant	Doyle	Heger
Bunning	Dreier	Hill
Burr	Duncan	Hilleary
Burton	Dunn	Hilliard
Buyer	Edwards	Hinchey
Callahan	Ehlers	Hinojosa
Calvert	Ehrlich	Hobson
Camp	Emerson	Hoekstra
Campbell	English	Holden
Canady	Ensign	Hookey
Cannon	Eshoo	Horn
Capps	Etheridge	Hostettler
Cardin	Evans	Houghton

Hoyer	Metcalf	Schaefer, Dan
Hulshof	Mica	Schaffer, Bob
Hunter	Millender-	Schumer
Hutchinson	McDonald	Scott
Inglis	Miller (CA)	Sensenbrenner
Istook	Miller (FL)	Serrano
Jackson (IL)	Minge	Sessions
Jackson-Lee	Mink	Shadegg
(TX)	Moakley	Shaw
Jefferson	Mollohan	Shays
Jenkins	Moran (KS)	Sherman
John	Moran (VA)	Shimkus
Johnson (CT)	Morella	Shuster
Johnson (WI)	Murtha	Sisisky
Johnson, E. B.	Myrick	Skaggs
Johnson, Sam	Nadler	Skeen
Jones	Neal	Skelton
Kanjorski	Nethercutt	Slaughter
Kaptur	Neumann	Smith (MI)
Kasich	Ney	Smith (NJ)
Kelly	Northup	Smith (OR)
Kennedy (MA)	Norwood	Smith (TX)
Kennedy (RI)	Nussle	Smith, Adam
Kennelly	Oberstar	Smith, Linda
Kildee	Obey	Snowbarger
Kilpatrick	Olver	Snyder
Kim	Ortiz	Solomon
Kind (WI)	Owens	Souder
King (NY)	Oxley	Spence
Kingston	Packard	Spratt
Klecza	Pallone	Stabenow
Klink	Pappas	Stark
Klug	Pascrell	Stearns
Knollenberg	Pastor	Stenholm
Kolbe	Paul	Stokes
Kucinich	Paxon	Stump
LaFalce	Payne	Stupak
LaHood	Pease	Sununu
Lampson	Pelosi	Talent
Lantos	Peterson (MN)	Tanner
Largent	Peterson (PA)	Tauscher
Latham	Petri	Tauzin
LaTourette	Pickering	Taylor (MS)
Lazio	Pickett	Taylor (NC)
Leach	Pitts	Thomas
Levin	Pombo	Thompson
Lewis (CA)	Pomeroy	Thornberry
Lewis (KY)	Porter	Thune
Linder	Portman	Thurman
Lipinski	Price (NC)	Tiahrt
LoBiondo	Pryce (OH)	Tierney
Lofgren	Quinn	Torres
Lowey	Radanovich	Townes
Lucas	Rahall	Traficant
Luther	Ramstad	Turner
Maloney (CT)	Redmond	Upton
Maloney (NY)	Regula	Velazquez
Manton	Reyes	Vento
Manzullo	Riley	Visclosky
Markey	Rivers	Walsh
Mascara	Rodriguez	Wamp
Matsui	Roemer	Waters
McCarthy (MO)	Rogan	Watkins
McCarthy (NY)	Rogers	Watt (NC)
McCollum	Rohrabacher	Watts (OK)
McCreery	Ros-Lehtinen	Waxman
McDade	Rothman	Weldon (FL)
McDermott	Roukema	Weldon (PA)
McGovern	Roybal-Allard	Weller
McHale	Royce	Wexler
McHugh	Rush	Weygand
McInnis	Ryun	White
McIntosh	Sabo	Whitfield
McIntyre	Salmon	Wicker
McKeon	Sanchez	Wise
McKinney	Sanders	Wolf
McNulty	Sandlin	Woolsey
Meehan	Sanford	Wynn
Meek (FL)	Sawyer	Yates
Meeks (NY)	Saxton	Young (FL)
Menendez	Scarborough	

NOT VOTING—20

Crane	Gutknecht	Poshard
Cunningham	Hefner	Rangel
Engel	Hyde	Riggs
Frost	Lewis (GA)	Schiff
Gallegly	Livingston	Strickland
Gephardt	Martinez	Young (AK)
Gonzalez	Parker	

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.

¶22.7 UNFINISHED BUSINESS—APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, pursuant to clause 5, rule 1, announced the unfinished business to be the question on agreeing to the Chair's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, March 18, 1998.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House agree to the Chair's approval of said Journal?

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

Mr. BLUNT demanded a recorded vote on agreeing to the Chair's approval of the Journal which demand was supported by one-fifth of a quorum, so a recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device.

It was decided in the { Yeas ..... 359  
affirmative ..... Nays ..... 49

¶22.8 [Roll No. 60]  
AYES—359

Ackerman	Cox	Hansen
Aderholt	Coyne	Harman
Allen	Cramer	Hastert
Andrews	Crapo	Hastings (WA)
Archer	Cubin	Hayworth
Armey	Cummings	Hefley
Bachus	Cunningham	Hill
Baesler	Danner	Hinojosa
Baker	Davis (FL)	Hobson
Baldacci	Davis (IL)	Hoekstra
Ballenger	Davis (VA)	Holden
Barcia	Deal	Hookey
Barr	DeGette	Horn
Barrett (NE)	Delahunt	Hostettler
Barrett (WI)	DeLauro	Houghton
Bartlett	Deutsch	Hulshof
Barton	Diaz-Balart	Hunter
Bass	Dicks	Hyde
Bateman	Dingell	Inglis
Bentsen	Dixon	Istook
Bereuter	Doggett	Jackson (IL)
Berman	Dooley	Jackson-Lee
Berry	Doolittle	(TX)
Bilbray	Doyle	Jefferson
Bilirakis	Dreier	Jenkins
Bishop	Duncan	John
Blagojevich	Dunn	Johnson (CT)
Bliley	Edwards	Johnson (WI)
Blumenauer	Ehlers	Johnson, E. B.
Blunt	Ehrlich	Johnson, Sam
Boehlert	Emerson	Jones
Boehner	Eshoo	Kanjorski
Bonilla	Etheridge	Kaptur
Bonior	Evans	Kelly
Boswell	Everett	Kennedy (MA)
Boucher	Ewing	Kennedy (RI)
Boyd	Farr	Kennelly
Brown (FL)	Fattah	Kildee
Brown (OH)	Foley	Kilpatrick
Bryant	Forbes	Kim
Bunning	Fossella	Kind (WI)
Burr	Fowler	King (NY)
Burton	Frank (MA)	Kingston
Buyer	Franks (NJ)	Klecza
Callahan	Frelinghuysen	Klink
Camp	Furse	Klug
Campbell	Ganske	Knollenberg
Canady	Gejdenson	Kolbe
Cannon	Gekas	LaFalce
Capps	Gilchrest	LaHood
Cardin	Gillmor	Lampson
Castle	Gilman	Lantos
Chabot	Goode	Largent
Chambliss	Goodlatte	Latham
Christensen	Goodling	LaTourette
Clayton	Gordon	Lazio
Clement	Goss	Leach
Coble	Graham	Levin
Coburn	Granger	Lewis (CA)
Collins	Green	Lewis (KY)
Combust	Greenwood	Linder
Condit	Gutierrez	Lipinski
Conyers	Hall (OH)	Lofgren
Cook	Hall (TX)	Lowey
Cooksey	Hamilton	Lucas

Luther	Paxon	Skelton
Maloney (CT)	Payne	Slaughter
Maloney (NY)	Pease	Smith (MI)
Manton	Pelosi	Smith (NJ)
Markey	Peterson (MN)	Smith (OR)
Mascara	Peterson (PA)	Smith (TX)
Matsui	Petri	Smith, Adam
McCarthy (MO)	Pickering	Smith, Linda
McCarthy (NY)	Pitts	Snowbarger
McCollum	Pombo	Snyder
McCrery	Pomeroy	Solomon
McDade	Porter	Souder
McGovern	Portman	Spence
McHale	Price (NC)	Spratt
McHugh	Pryce (OH)	Stabenow
McInnis	Quinn	Stearns
McIntosh	Radanovich	Stenholm
McIntyre	Rahall	Stokes
McKeon	Redmond	Strickland
McKinney	Regula	Stump
Meehan	Reyes	Sununu
Meek (FL)	Riley	Talent
Meeks (NY)	Rivers	Tanner
Menendez	Rodriguez	Tauscher
Metcalf	Roemer	Tauzin
Mica	Rogers	Taylor (NC)
Millender-	Rohrabacher	Thomas
McDonald	Ros-Lehtinen	Thornberry
Miller (FL)	Rothman	Thune
Minge	Roukema	Thurman
Mink	Roybal-Allard	Tiahrt
Moakley	Royce	Tierney
Mollohan	Rush	Torres
Moran (VA)	Ryun	Towns
Morella	Salmon	Trafigant
Murtha	Sanchez	Turner
Myrick	Sanders	Upton
Nadler	Sandlin	Vento
Neal	Sanford	Walsh
Nethercutt	Sawyer	Wamp
Neumann	Saxton	Watkins
Ney	Scarborough	Watt (NC)
Northup	Schaefer, Dan	Watts (OK)
Norwood	Schumer	Waxman
Nussle	Scott	Weldon (FL)
Obey	Sensenbrenner	Wexler
Olver	Serrano	Weygand
Ortiz	Shadegg	White
Owens	Shaw	Whitfield
Oxley	Shays	Wise
Packard	Sherman	Wolf
Pallone	Shimkus	Woolsey
Pappas	Shuster	Wynn
Pascrell	Sisisky	Young (FL)
Pastor	Skaggs	
Paul	Skeen	

NOES—49

Abercrombie	Filner	Ramstad
Becerra	Ford	Rogan
Borski	Fox	Sabo
Brady	Gibbons	Schaffer, Bob
Brown (CA)	Hastings (FL)	Sessions
Carson	Herger	Stark
Chenoweth	Hilleary	Stupak
Clay	Hilliard	Taylor (MS)
Clyburn	Hinchee	Thompson
Costello	Kucinich	Velazquez
DeFazio	LoBiondo	Visclosky
DeLay	McDermott	Waters
Dickey	McNulty	Weller
English	Miller (CA)	Wicker
Ensign	Moran (KS)	Yates
Fawell	Oberstar	
Fazio	Pickett	

NOT VOTING—23

Calvert	Hefner	Parker
Crane	Hoyer	Poshard
Engel	Hutchinson	Rangel
Frost	Kasich	Riggs
Gallegly	Lewis (GA)	Schiff
Gephardt	Livingston	Weldon (PA)
Gonzalez	Manzullo	Young (AK)
Gutknecht	Martinez	

So the Journal was approved.

22.9 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.

22.10 TROPICAL FOREST CONSERVATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. NETHERCUTT, pursuant to House Resolution 388 and rule XXIII, declared the

House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 2870) to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. NETHERCUTT, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. LAHOOD as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

22.11 RECORDED VOTE

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

Page 10, after line 15, insert the following:

(c) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The President shall notify the congressional committees specified in section 634A of this Act at least 15 days in advance of each reduction of debt pursuant to this section in accordance with the procedures applicable to reprogramming notifications under such section 634A.

Page 10, line 16, strike "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 12, after line 25, insert the following:

(c) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The President shall notify the congressional committees specified in section 634A of this Act at least 15 days in advance of each reduction of debt pursuant to this section in accordance with the procedures applicable to reprogramming notifications under such section 634A.

Page 13, line 1, strike "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 16, after line 21, insert the following:

(b) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The President shall notify the congressional committees specified in section 634A of this Act at least 15 days in advance of each sale, reduction, or cancellation of loans or credits pursuant to this section in accordance with the procedures applicable to reprogramming notifications under such section 634A.

Page 16, line 22, strike "(b)" and insert "(c)".

It was decided in the { Yeas ..... 416 affirmative ..... } { Nays ..... 1

22.12 [Roll No. 61] AYES—416

Abercrombie	Bonilla	Coburn
Ackerman	Bonior	Collins
Aderholt	Borski	Combest
Allen	Boswell	Condit
Andrews	Boucher	Conyers
Archer	Boyd	Cook
Armey	Brady	Cooksey
Bachus	Brown (CA)	Costello
Baesler	Brown (FL)	Cox
Baker	Brown (OH)	Coyne
Baldacci	Bryant	Cramer
Ballenger	Bunning	Crane
Barcia	Burr	Crapo
Barr	Burton	Cubin
Barrett (NE)	Buyer	Cummings
Barrett (WI)	Callahan	Cunningham
Bartlett	Calvert	Danner
Barton	Camp	Davis (FL)
Bass	Campbell	Davis (IL)
Bateman	Canady	Davis (VA)
Becerra	Cannon	Deal
Bentsen	Capps	DeFazio
Bereuter	Cardin	DeGette
Berman	Carson	Delahunt
Berry	Castle	DeLauro
Bilbray	Chabot	DeLay
Bilirakis	Chambliss	Deutsch
Bishop	Chenoweth	Diaz-Balart
Blagojevich	Christensen	Dickey
Bileey	Clay	Dicks
Blumenauer	Clayton	Dingell
Blunt	Clement	Dixon
Boehrlert	Clyburn	Doggett
Boehner	Coble	Dooley

Doolittle	Kingston	Porter
Doyle	Klecza	Portman
Dreier	Klink	Price (NC)
Duncan	Klug	Pryce (OH)
Dum	Knollenberg	Quinn
Edwards	Kolbe	Radanovich
Ehlers	Kucinich	Rahall
Ehrlich	LaFalce	Ramstad
Emerson	LaHood	Redmond
Engel	Lampson	Regula
English	Lantos	Reyes
Ensign	Largent	Riley
Eshoo	Latham	Rivers
Etheridge	LaTourrette	Rodriguez
Evans	Lazio	Roemer
Everett	Leach	Rogan
Ewing	Levin	Rogers
Farr	Lewis (CA)	Rohrabacher
Fattah	Lewis (KY)	Ros-Lehtinen
Fawell	Linder	Rothman
Fazio	Lipinski	Roukema
Filner	Livingston	Roybal-Allard
Forbes	LoBiondo	Royce
Ford	Lofgren	Rush
Fossella	Lowe	Ryun
Fowler	Lucas	Sabo
Fox	Luther	Salmon
Frank (MA)	Maloney (CT)	Sanchez
Franks (NJ)	Maloney (NY)	Sanders
Frelinghuysen	Manton	Sandlin
Ganske	Manzullo	Sanford
Gejdenson	Markey	Sawyer
Gibbons	Mascara	Saxton
Gilchrest	Matsui	Scarborough
Gillmor	McCarthy (MO)	Schaefer, Dan
Gilman	McCarthy (NY)	Schaffer, Bob
Goode	McCollum	Schumer
Goodlatte	McCrery	Scott
Goodling	McDade	Sensenbrenner
Gordon	McDermott	Serrano
Goss	McGovern	Sessions
Graham	McHale	Shadegg
Granger	McHugh	Shaw
Green	McInnis	Shays
Greenwood	McIntosh	Sherman
Gutierrez	McIntyre	Shimkus
Gutknecht	McKeon	Shuster
Hall (OH)	McKinney	Sisisky
Hall (TX)	McNulty	Skaggs
Hamilton	Meehan	Skeen
Hansen	Meek (FL)	Skelton
Harman	Meeks (NY)	Slaughter
Hastert	Menendez	Smith (MI)
Hastings (FL)	Metcalf	Smith (NJ)
Hastings (WA)	Mica	Smith (OR)
Hayworth	Millender-	Smith (TX)
Hefley	McDonald	Smith, Adam
Hefner	Miller (CA)	Smith, Linda
Herger	Miller (FL)	Snowbarger
Hill	Minge	Snyder
Hilleary	Mink	Solomon
Hinchee	Moakley	Souder
Hinojosa	Mollohan	Spence
Hobson	Moran (KS)	Spratt
Hoekstra	Moran (VA)	Stabenow
Holden	Morella	Stark
Hoolley	Murtha	Stearns
Horn	Myrick	Stenholm
Hostettler	Nadler	Stokes
Houghton	Neal	Strickland
Hoyer	Nethercutt	Stump
Hulshof	Neumann	Stupak
Hunter	Ney	Sununu
Hutchinson	Northup	Talent
Hyde	Norwood	Tanner
Inglis	Nussle	Tauscher
Istook	Oberstar	Tauzin
Jackson (IL)	Obey	Taylor (MS)
Jackson-Lee	Olver	Taylor (NC)
(TX)	Ortiz	Thomas
Jefferson	Owens	Thompson
Jenkins	Oxley	Thornberry
John	Packard	Thune
Johnson (CT)	Pallone	Thurman
Johnson (WI)	Pappas	Tiahrt
Johnson, E. B.	Pascrell	Tierney
Johnson, Sam	Pastor	Torres
Jones	Paul	Towns
Kanjorski	Paxon	Trafigant
Kaptur	Payne	Turner
Kasich	Pease	Upton
Kelly	Pelosi	Velazquez
Kennedy (MA)	Peterson (MN)	Vento
Kennedy (RI)	Peterson (PA)	Visclosky
Kennelly	Petri	Walsh
Kildee	Pickering	Wamp
Kilpatrick	Pickett	Waters
Kim	Pitts	Watkins
Kind (WI)	Pombo	Watt (NC)
King (NY)	Pomeroy	Watts (OK)

Waxman White Wynn  
Weldon (FL) Whitfield Yates  
Weldon (PA) Wicker Young (AK)  
Weller Wise Young (FL)  
Wexler Wolf  
Weygand Woolsey

NOES—1

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NOT VOTING—14

Foley Gephardt Poshard  
Frost Gonzalez Rangel  
Furse Lewis (GA) Riggs  
Gallegly Martinez Schiff  
Gekas Parker

So the amendment was agreed to.

12.13 RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote by electronic device was ordered in the Committee of the Whole on the following amendments, en bloc, submitted by Mr. VENTO:

Page 19, after line 20, insert the following:  
“(5) Research and identification of medicinal uses of tropical forest plant life to treat human diseases and illnesses and other health-related concerns.

Page 19, line 21, strike “(5)” and insert “(6)”.

Page 19, line 23, strike “(6)” and insert “(7)”.

Page 23, line 12, after “scientific” insert “indigenous.”.

Page 23, line 14, after “scientific,” insert “indigenous.”.

It was decided in the { Yeas ..... 335  
affirmative ..... } Nays ..... 79

12.14 [Roll No. 62]  
AYES—335

Abercrombie Conyers Gilchrist  
Ackerman Cook Gillmor  
Allen Cooksey Gilman  
Andrews Costello Goode  
Archer Cox Goodlatte  
Baesler Coyne Goodling  
Baldacci Cramer Gordon  
Ballenger Cummings Goss  
Barcia Cunningham Green  
Barrett (NE) Danner Greenwood  
Barrett (WI) Davis (FL) Gutierrez  
Bass Davis (IL) Gutknecht  
Bateman Davis (VA) Hall (OH)  
Becerra Deal Hall (TX)  
Bentsen DeFazio Hamilton  
Bereuter DeGette Harman  
Berman Delahunt Hastert  
Berry DeLauro Hastings (FL)  
Bilbray Deutsch Hefley  
Bilirakis Diaz-Balart Hefner  
Bishop Dickey Hill  
Blagojevich Dicks Hilliard  
Bliley Dingell Hinchey  
Blumenauer Dixon Hinojosa  
Blunt Doggett Hobson  
Boehlert Dooley Holden  
Boehner Dreier Hooley  
Bonior Duncan Horn  
Borski Dunn Hoyer  
Boswell Edwards Hulshof  
Boucher Ehlers Hunter  
Boyd Ehrlich Hyde  
Brown (CA) Engel Istook  
Brown (FL) English Jackson (IL)  
Brown (OH) Ensign Jackson-Lee  
Bryant Eshoo (TX)  
Burr Etheridge Jefferson  
Buyer Evans John  
Calvert Ewing Johnson (CT)  
Camp Farr Johnson (WI)  
Campbell Fattah Johnson, E. B.  
Canady Fawell Kanjorski  
Capps Fazio Kaptur  
Cardin Filner Kasich  
Carson Forbes Kelly  
Castle Ford Kennedy (MA)  
Chambliss Fowler Kennedy (RI)  
Christensen Fox Kennelly  
Clay Frank (MA) Kildee  
Clayton Franks (NJ) Kilpatrick  
Clement Frelinghuysen Kim  
Clyburn Ganske Kind (WI)  
Condit Gejdenson King (NY)

Kingston Moran (VA) Sherman  
Klecza Morella Shimkus  
Klink Murtha Shuster  
Klug Nadler Sisisky  
Knollenberg Neal Skaggs  
Kolbe Ney Skeen  
Kucinich Northup Skelton  
LaFalce Norwood Slaughter  
LaHood Nussle Smith (MI)  
Lampson Oberstar Smith (NJ)  
Lantos Obey Smith (TX)  
Largent Olver Smith, Adam  
Latham Ortiz Smith, Linda  
LaTourette Owens Snyder  
Lazio Oxley Spence  
Leach Packard Spratt  
Levin Pallone Stabenow  
Lewis (CA) Pappas Stark  
Linder Pascarell Stenholm  
Lipinski Pastor Stokes  
Livingston Payne Strickland  
LoBiondo Pease Stupak  
Lofgren Pelosi Talent  
Lowe Peterson (MN) Tanner  
Lucas Pickett Tauscher  
Luther Pitts Tauzin  
Maloney (CT) Pomeroy Taylor (MS)  
Maloney (NY) Porter Thompson  
Manton Portman Thune  
Manzullo Price (NC) Thurman  
Markey Pryce (OH) Tierney  
Mascara Quinn Torres  
Matsui Rahall Towns  
McCarthy (MO) Ramstad Trafficant  
McCarthy (NY) Redmond Turner  
McCollum Regula Upton  
McCrery Reyes Velazquez  
McDade Rivers Vento  
McDermott Rodriguez Visclosky  
McGovern Roemer Walsh  
McHale Rogers Waters  
McHugh Rohrabacher Watkins  
McInnis Ros-Lehtinen Watt (NC)  
McIntosh Rothman Watts (OK)  
McIntyre Roukema Waxman  
McKinney Roybal-Allard Weldon (FL)  
McNulty Rush Weldon (PA)  
Meehan Sabo Weller  
Meek (FL) Sanchez Wexler  
Meeks (NY) Sanders Weygand  
Menendez Sandlin White  
Metcalf Sawyer Whitfield  
Millender Saxton Wise  
McDonald Scarborough Wolf  
Miller (CA) Schaefer, Dan Woolsey  
Miller (FL) Schumer Wynn  
Minge Scott Yates  
Mink Serrano Young (FL)  
Moakley Shaw  
Mollohan Shays

NOES—79

Aderholt Gibbons Pombo  
Armye Graham Radanovich  
Bachus Baesler Riley  
Baker Hansen Rogan  
Barr Hastings (WA) Ryan  
Bartlett Hayworth Salmon  
Barton Herger Sanford  
Bonilla Hilleary Schaffer, Bob  
Brady Hoekstra Sensenbrenner  
Bunning Hostettler Sessions  
Burton Hutchinson Shadegg  
Callahan Inglis Smith (OR)  
Cannon Jenkins Snowbarger  
Chabot Johnson, Sam Solomon  
Chenoweth Jones Souder  
Coble McKeon Stearns  
Coburn Mica Stump  
Collins Moran (KS) Sununu  
Combest Myrick Taylor (NC)  
Crane Nethercutt Thomas  
Crapo Neumann Thornberry  
Cubin Parker Tiahrt  
DeLay Paul Wamp  
Doolittle Paxon Wicker  
Emerson Peterson (PA) Young (AK)  
Everett Petri  
Fossella Pickering

NOT VOTING—17

Doyle Gephardt Poshard  
Foley Gonzalez Rangel  
Frost Houghton Riggs  
Furse Lewis (GA) Royce  
Gallegly Lewis (KY) Schiff  
Gekas Martinez

So the amendments, en bloc, were agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. QUINN, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. LAHOOD, Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 388, reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee.

The previous question having been ordered by said resolution.

The following amendment, reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, was agreed to:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. DEBT REDUCTION FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WITH TROPICAL FORESTS.

The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“PART V—DEBT REDUCTION FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WITH TROPICAL FORESTS

“SEC. 801. SHORT TITLE.

“This part may be cited as the ‘Tropical Forest Conservation Act of 1998’.

“SEC. 802. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.

“(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:

“(1) It is the established policy of the United States to support and seek protection of tropical forests around the world.

“(2) Tropical forests provide a wide range of benefits to humankind by—

“(A) harboring a major share of the Earth’s biological and terrestrial resources, which are the basis for developing pharmaceutical products and revitalizing agricultural crops;

“(B) playing a critical role as carbon sinks in reducing greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, thus moderating potential global climate change; and

“(C) regulating hydrological cycles on which far-flung agricultural and coastal resources depend.

“(3) International negotiations and assistance programs to conserve forest resources have proliferated over the past decade, but the rapid rate of tropical deforestation continues unabated.

“(4) Developing countries with urgent needs for investment and capital for development have allocated a significant amount of their forests to logging concessions.

“(5) Poverty and economic pressures on the populations of developing countries have, over time, resulted in clearing of vast areas of forest for conversion to agriculture, which is often unsustainable in the poor soils underlying tropical forests.

“(6) Debt reduction can reduce economic pressures on developing countries and result in increased protection for tropical forests.

“(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this part are—

“(1) to recognize the values received by United States citizens from protection of tropical forests;

“(2) to facilitate greater protection of tropical forests (and to give priority to protecting tropical forests with the highest levels of biodiversity and under the most severe threat) by providing for the alleviation of debt in countries where tropical forests are located, thus allowing the use of additional resources to protect these critical resources and reduce economic pressures that have led to deforestation;

“(3) to ensure that resources freed from debt in such countries are targeted to protection of tropical forests and their associated values; and

“(4) to rechannel existing resources to facilitate the protection of tropical forests.

“SEC. 803. DEFINITIONS.

“As used in this part:

“(1) ADMINISTERING BODY.—The term ‘administering body’ means the entity provided for in section 809(c).

“(2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—The term ‘appropriate congressional committees’ means—

“(A) the Committee on International Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives; and

“(B) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

“(3) BENEFICIARY COUNTRY.—The term ‘beneficiary country’ means an eligible country with respect to which the authority of section 806(a)(1), section 807(a)(1), or paragraph (1) or (2) of section 808(a) is exercised.

“(4) BOARD.—The term ‘Board’ means the board referred to in section 811.

“(5) DEVELOPING COUNTRY WITH A TROPICAL FOREST.—The term ‘developing country with a tropical forest’ means—

“(A)(i) a country that has a per capita income of \$725 or less in 1994 United States dollars (commonly referred to as ‘low-income country’), as determined and adjusted on an annual basis by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development in its World Development Report; or

“(ii) a country that has a per capita income of more than \$725 but less than \$8,956 in 1994 United States dollars (commonly referred to as ‘middle-income country’), as determined and adjusted on an annual basis by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development in its World Development Report; and

“(B) a country that contains at least one tropical forest that is globally outstanding in terms of its biological diversity or represents one of the larger intact blocks of tropical forests left, on a regional, continental, or global scale.

“(6) ELIGIBLE COUNTRY.—The term ‘eligible country’ means a country designated by the President in accordance with section 805.

“(7) TROPICAL FOREST AGREEMENT.—The term ‘Tropical Forest Agreement’ or ‘Agreement’ means a Tropical Forest Agreement provided for in section 809.

“(8) TROPICAL FOREST FACILITY.—The term ‘Tropical Forest Facility’ or ‘Facility’ means the Tropical Forest Facility established in the Department of the Treasury by section 804.

“(9) TROPICAL FOREST FUND.—The term ‘Tropical Forest Fund’ or ‘Fund’ means a Tropical Forest Fund provided for in section 810.

**“SEC. 804. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FACILITY.**

“There is established in the Department of the Treasury an entity to be known as the ‘Tropical Forest Facility’ for the purpose of providing for the administration of debt reduction in accordance with this part.

**“SEC. 805. ELIGIBILITY FOR BENEFITS.**

“(a) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible for benefits from the Facility under this part, a country shall be a developing country with a tropical forest—

“(1) whose government meets the requirements applicable to Latin American or Caribbean countries under paragraphs (1) through (5) and (7) of section 703(a) of this Act;

“(2) that has put in place major investment reforms, as evidenced by the conclusion of a bilateral investment treaty with the United States, implementation of an investment sector loan with the Inter-American Development Bank, World Bank-supported investment reforms, or other measures, as appropriate; and

“(3) whose government meets other requirements related to its environmental policies and practices, as determined by the President.

“(b) ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATIONS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Consistent with subsection (a), the President shall determine whether a country is eligible to receive benefits under this part.

“(2) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—The President shall notify the appropriate congressional committees of his intention to designate a country as an eligible country at least 15 days in advance of any formal determination.

**“SEC. 806. REDUCTION OF DEBT OWED TO THE UNITED STATES AS A RESULT OF CONCESSIONAL LOANS UNDER THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961.**

“(a) AUTHORITY TO REDUCE DEBT.—

“(1) AUTHORITY.—The President may reduce the amount owed to the United States (or any agency of the United States) that is outstanding as of January 1, 1997, as a result of concessional loans made to an eligible country by the United States under part I of this Act, chapter 4 of part II of this Act, or predecessor foreign economic assistance legislation.

“(2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the cost (as defined in section 502(5) of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990) for the reduction of any debt pursuant to this section, there are authorized to be appropriated to the President—

“(A) \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 1999;

“(B) \$75,000,000 for fiscal year 2000; and

“(C) \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2001.

“(3) CERTAIN PROHIBITIONS INAPPLICABLE.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—A reduction of debt pursuant to this section shall not be considered assistance for purposes of any provision of law limiting assistance to a country.

“(B) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—The authority of this section may be exercised notwithstanding section 620(r) of this Act or section 321 of the International Development and Food Assistance Act of 1975.

“(b) IMPLEMENTATION OF DEBT REDUCTION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Any debt reduction pursuant to subsection (a) shall be accomplished at the direction of the Facility by the exchange of a new obligation for obligations of the type referred to in subsection (a) outstanding as of the date specified in subsection (a)(1).

“(2) EXCHANGE OF OBLIGATIONS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Facility shall notify the agency primarily responsible for administering part I of this Act of an agreement entered into under paragraph (1) with an eligible country to exchange a new obligation for outstanding obligations.

“(B) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—At the direction of the Facility, the old obligations that are the subject of the agreement shall be canceled and a new debt obligation for the country shall be established relating to the agreement, and the agency primarily responsible for administering part I of this Act shall make an adjustment in its accounts to reflect the debt reduction.

“(c) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The President shall notify the congressional committees specified in section 634A of this Act at least 15 days in advance of each reduction of debt pursuant to this section in accordance with the procedures applicable to reprogramming notifications under such section 634A.

“(d) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The following additional terms and conditions shall apply to the reduction of debt under subsection (a)(1) in the same manner as such terms and conditions apply to the reduction of debt under section 704(a)(1) of this Act:

“(1) The provisions relating to repayment of principal under section 705 of this Act.

“(2) The provisions relating to interest on new obligations under section 706 of this Act.

**“SEC. 807. REDUCTION OF DEBT OWED TO THE UNITED STATES AS A RESULT OF CREDITS EXTENDED UNDER TITLE I OF THE AGRICULTURAL TRADE DEVELOPMENT AND ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1954.**

“(a) AUTHORITY TO REDUCE DEBT.—

“(1) AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the President may reduce the amount owed to the United States (or any agency of the United States) that is outstanding as of January 1, 1997, as a result of any credits extended under title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) to a country eligible for benefits from the Facility.

“(2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—For the cost (as defined in section 502(5) of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990) for the reduction of any debt pursuant to this section, there are authorized to be appropriated to the President—

“(i) \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 1999;

“(ii) \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2000; and

“(iii) \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2001.

“(B) LIMITATION.—The authority provided by this section shall be available only to the extent that appropriations for the cost (as defined in section 502(5) of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990) of the modification of any debt pursuant to this section are made in advance.

“(b) IMPLEMENTATION OF DEBT REDUCTION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Any debt reduction pursuant to subsection (a) shall be accomplished at the direction of the Facility by the exchange of a new obligation for obligations of the type referred to in subsection (a) outstanding as of the date specified in subsection (a)(1).

“(2) EXCHANGE OF OBLIGATIONS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Facility shall notify the Commodity Credit Corporation of an agreement entered into under paragraph (1) with an eligible country to exchange a new obligation for outstanding obligations.

“(B) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—At the direction of the Facility, the old obligations that are the subject of the agreement shall be canceled and a new debt obligation shall be established for the country relating to the agreement, and the Commodity Credit Corporation shall make an adjustment in its accounts to reflect the debt reduction.

“(c) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The President shall notify the congressional committees specified in section 634A of this Act at least 15 days in advance of each reduction of debt pursuant to this section in accordance with the procedures applicable to reprogramming notifications under such section 634A.

“(d) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The following additional terms and conditions shall apply to the reduction of debt under subsection (a)(1) in the same manner as such terms and conditions apply to the reduction of debt under section 604(a)(1) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1738c):

“(1) The provisions relating to repayment of principal under section 605 of such Act.

“(2) The provisions relating to interest on new obligations under section 606 of such Act.

**“SEC. 808. AUTHORITY TO ENGAGE IN DEBT-FOR-NATURE SWAPS AND DEBT BUYBACKS.**

“(a) LOANS AND CREDITS ELIGIBLE FOR SALE, REDUCTION, OR CANCELLATION.—

“(1) DEBT-FOR-NATURE SWAPS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the President may, in accordance with this section, sell to any eligible purchaser described in subparagraph (B) any concessional loans described in section 806(a)(1) or any credits described in sec-

tion 807(a)(1), or on receipt of payment from an eligible purchaser described in subparagraph (B), reduce or cancel such loans (or credits) or portion thereof, only for the purpose of facilitating a debt-for-nature swap to support eligible activities described in section 809(d).

“(B) ELIGIBLE PURCHASER DESCRIBED.—A loan or credit may be sold, reduced, or canceled under subparagraph (A) only to a purchaser who presents plans satisfactory to the President for using the loan or credit for the purpose of engaging in debt-for-nature swaps to support eligible activities described in section 809(d).

“(C) CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT.—Before the sale under subparagraph (A) to any eligible purchaser described in subparagraph (B), or any reduction or cancellation under such subparagraph (A), of any loan or credit made to an eligible country, the President shall consult with the country concerning the amount of loans or credits to be sold, reduced, or canceled and their uses for debt-for-nature swaps to support eligible activities described in section 809(d).

“(D) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the cost (as defined in section 502(5) of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990) for the reduction of any debt pursuant to subparagraph (A), amounts authorized to be appropriated under sections 806(a)(2) and 807(a)(2) shall be made available for such reduction of debt pursuant to subparagraph (A).

“(2) DEBT BUYBACKS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the President may, in accordance with this section, sell to any eligible country any concessional loans described in section 806(a)(1) or any credits described in section 807(a)(1), or on receipt of payment from an eligible country, reduce or cancel such loans (or credits) or portion thereof, only for the purpose of facilitating a debt buyback by an eligible country of its own qualified debt, only if the eligible country uses an additional amount of the local currency of the eligible country, equal to not less than the lesser of 40 percent of the price paid for such debt by such eligible country, or the difference between the price paid for such debt and the face value of such debt, to support eligible activities described in section 809(d).

“(3) LIMITATION.—The authority provided by paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be available only to the extent that appropriations for the cost (as defined in section 502(5) of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990) of the modification of any debt pursuant such paragraphs are made in advance.

“(4) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the President shall, in accordance with this section, establish the terms and conditions under which loans and credits may be sold, reduced, or canceled pursuant to this section.

“(5) ADMINISTRATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Facility shall notify the administrator of the agency primarily responsible for administering part I of this Act or the Commodity Credit Corporation, as the case may be, of eligible purchasers described in paragraph (1)(B) that the President has determined to be eligible under paragraph (1), and shall direct such agency or Corporation, as the case may be, to carry out the sale, reduction, or cancellation of a loan pursuant to such paragraph.

“(B) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—Such agency or Corporation, as the case may be, shall make an adjustment in its accounts to reflect the sale, reduction, or cancellation.

“(b) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The President shall notify the congressional committees specified in section 634A of this Act at least 15 days in advance of each sale, reduction, or cancellation of loans or credits

pursuant to this section in accordance with the procedures applicable to reprogramming notifications under such section 634A.

“(c) DEPOSIT OF PROCEEDS.—The proceeds from the sale, reduction, or cancellation of any loan sold, reduced, or canceled pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the United States Government account or accounts established for the repayment of such loan.

**“SEC. 809. TROPICAL FOREST AGREEMENT.**

“(a) AUTHORITY.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State is authorized, in consultation with other appropriate officials of the Federal Government, to enter into a Tropical Forest Agreement with any eligible country concerning the operation and use of the Fund for that country.

“(2) CONSULTATION.—In the negotiation of such an Agreement, the Secretary shall consult with the Board in accordance with section 811.

“(b) CONTENTS OF AGREEMENT.—The requirements contained in section 708(b) of this Act (relating to contents of an agreement) shall apply to a Agreement in the same manner as such requirements apply to an Americas Framework Agreement.

“(c) ADMINISTERING BODY.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Amounts disbursed from the Fund in each beneficiary country shall be administered by a body constituted under the laws of that country.

“(2) COMPOSITION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The administering body shall consist of—

“(i) one or more individuals appointed by the United States Government;

“(ii) one or more individuals appointed by the government of the beneficiary country; and

“(iii) individuals who represent a broad range of—

“(I) environmental nongovernmental organizations of, or active in, the beneficiary country;

“(II) local community development nongovernmental organizations of the beneficiary country; and

“(III) scientific or academic organizations or institutions of the beneficiary country.

“(B) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—A majority of the members of the administering body shall be individuals described in subparagraph (A)(iii).

“(3) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The requirements contained in section 708(c)(3) of this Act (relating to responsibilities of the administering body) shall apply to an administering body described in paragraph (1) in the same manner as such requirements apply to an administering body described in section 708(c)(1) of this Act.

“(d) ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES.—Amounts deposited in a Fund shall be used to provide grants to preserve, maintain, and restore the tropical forests in the beneficiary country, including one or more of the following activities:

“(1) Establishment, restoration, protection, and maintenance of parks, protected areas, and reserves.

“(2) Development and implementation of scientifically sound systems of natural resource management, including land and ecosystem management practices.

“(3) Training programs to strengthen conservation institutions and increase scientific, technical, and managerial capacities of individuals and organizations involved in conservation efforts.

“(4) Restoration, protection, or sustainable use of diverse animal and plant species.

“(5) Research and identification of medicinal uses of tropical forest plant life to treat human diseases and illnesses and other health-related concerns.

“(6) Mitigation of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

“(7) Development and support of the livelihoods of individuals living in or near a tropical forest, including the cultures of such individuals, in a manner consistent with protecting such tropical forest.

“(e) GRANT RECIPIENTS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Grants made from a Fund shall be made to—

“(A) nongovernmental environmental, conservation, and indigenous people organizations of, or active in, the beneficiary country;

“(B) other appropriate local or regional entities of, or active in, the beneficiary country; and

“(C) in exceptional circumstances, the government of the beneficiary country.

“(2) PRIORITY.—In providing grants under paragraph (1), priority shall be given to projects that are run by nongovernmental organizations and other private entities and that involve local communities in their planning and execution.

“(f) REVIEW OF LARGER GRANTS.—Any grant of more than \$100,000 from a Fund shall be subject to veto by the Government of the United States or the government of the beneficiary country.

“(g) ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA.—In the event that a country ceases to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in section 805(a), as determined by the President pursuant to section 805(b), then grants from the Fund for that country may only be made to nongovernmental organizations until such time as the President determines that such country meets the eligibility requirements set forth in section 805(a).

**“SEC. 810. TROPICAL FOREST FUND.**

“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Each beneficiary country that enters into a Tropical Forest Agreement under section 809 shall be required to establish a Tropical Forest Fund to receive payments of interest on new obligations undertaken by the beneficiary country under this part.

“(b) REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO OPERATION OF FUND.—The following terms and conditions shall apply to the Fund in the same manner as such terms and conditions apply to an Enterprise for the Americas Fund under section 707 of this Act:

“(1) The provision relating to deposits under subsection (b) of such section.

“(2) The provision relating to investments under subsection (c) of such section.

“(3) The provision relating to disbursements under subsection (d) of such section.

**“SEC. 811. BOARD.**

“(a) ENTERPRISE FOR THE AMERICAS BOARD.—The Enterprise for the Americas Board established under section 610(a) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1738i(a)) shall, in addition to carrying out the responsibilities of the Board under section 610(c) of such Act, carry out the duties described in subsection (c) of this section for the purposes of this part.

“(b) ADDITIONAL MEMBERSHIP.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Enterprise for the Americas Board shall be composed of an additional four members appointed by the President as follows:

“(A) Two representatives from the United States Government.

“(B) Two representatives from private nongovernmental environmental, scientific, and academic organizations with experience and expertise in preservation, maintenance, and restoration of tropical forests.

“(2) CHAIRPERSON.—Notwithstanding section 610(b)(2) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1738i(b)(2)), the Enterprise for the Americas Board shall be headed by a chairperson who shall be appointed by the President from among the representatives ap-

pointed under section 610(b)(1)(A) of such Act or paragraph (1)(A) of this subsection.

“(c) DUTIES.—The duties described in this subsection are as follows:

“(1) Advise the Secretary of State on the negotiations of Tropical Forest Agreements.

“(2) Ensure, in consultation with—

“(A) the government of the beneficiary country;

“(B) nongovernmental organizations of the beneficiary country;

“(C) nongovernmental organizations of the region (if appropriate);

“(D) environmental, scientific, indigenous, and academic leaders of the beneficiary country; and

“(E) environmental, scientific, indigenous, and academic leaders of the region (as appropriate),

that a suitable administering body is identified for each Fund.

“(3) Review the programs, operations, and fiscal audits of each administering body.

“SEC. 812. CONSULTATIONS WITH THE CONGRESS.

“The President shall consult with the appropriate congressional committees on a periodic basis to review the operation of the Facility under this part and the eligibility of countries for benefits from the Facility under this part.

“SEC. 813. ANNUAL REPORTS TO THE CONGRESS.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 31 of each fiscal year, the President shall prepare and transmit to the Congress an annual report concerning the operation of the Facility for the prior fiscal year. Such report shall include—

“(1) a description of the activities undertaken by the Facility during the previous fiscal year;

“(2) a description of any Agreement entered into under this part;

“(3) a report on any Funds that have been established under this part and on the operations of such Funds; and

“(4) a description of any grants that have been provided by administering bodies pursuant to Agreements under this part.

“(b) SUPPLEMENTAL VIEWS IN ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than December 15 of each fiscal year, each member of the Board shall be entitled to receive a copy of the report required under subsection (a). Each member of the Board may prepare and submit supplemental views to the President on the implementation of this part by December 31 for inclusion in the annual report when it is transmitted to Congress pursuant to this section.”.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read a third time by title.

The question being put, *viva voce*, Will the House pass said bill?

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

Mr. GILMAN demanded a recorded vote on passage of said bill, which demand was supported by one-fifth of a quorum, so a recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device.

It was decided in the { Yeas ..... 356 affirmative ..... } Nays ..... 61

¶22.15 [Roll No. 63] AYES—356

Abercrombie	Armev	Ballenger
Ackerman	Bachus	Barcia
Allen	Baesler	Barrett (NE)
Andrews	Baker	Barrett (WI)
Archer	Baldacci	Barton

Bass	Gillmor	McHugh
Bateman	Gilman	McInnis
Becerra	Goode	McIntosh
Bentsen	Goodlatte	McIntyre
Bereuter	Goodling	McKeon
Berman	Gordon	McKinney
Berry	Goss	McNulty
Bilbray	Graham	Meehan
Bilirakis	Granger	Meek (FL)
Bishop	Green	Meeks (NY)
Blagojevich	Greenwood	Menendez
Bliley	Gutierrez	Metcalf
Blumenauer	Gutknecht	Mica
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Boehner	Hamilton	Miller (CA)
Borski	Harman	Miller (FL)
Boswell	Hastert	Minge
Boucher	Hastings (FL)	Mink
Boyd	Hastings (WA)	Moakley
Brown (CA)	Hayworth	Mollohan
Brown (FL)	Hefley	Moran (KS)
Brown (OH)	Hefner	Moran (VA)
Bryant	Hill	Morella
Bunning	Hilliard	Murtha
Burr	Hinchey	Myrick
Buyer	Hinojosa	Nadler
Callahan	Hobson	Neal
Calvert	Hoekstra	Nethercatt
Camp	Holden	Northup
Campbell	Hooley	Norwood
Canady	Horn	Nussle
Capps	Houghton	Oberstar
Cardin	Hoyer	Obey
Carson	Hulshof	Olver
Castle	Hunter	Ortiz
Chabot	Hutchinson	Owens
Chambliss	Hyde	Oxley
Christensen	Inglis	Packard
Clay	Istook	Pallone
Clayton	Jackson (IL)	Pappas
Clement	Jackson-Lee	Pascroll
Clyburn	(TX)	Pastor
Condit	Jefferson	Payne
Conyers	John	Pease
Cook	Johnson (CT)	Pelosi
Cooksey	Johnson (WI)	Peterson (MN)
Costello	Johnson, E. B.	Pickering
Cox	Kanjorski	Pickett
Coyne	Kaptur	Pitts
Cramer	Kasich	Pomeroy
Crapo	Kelly	Porter
Cummings	Kennedy (MA)	Portman
Cunningham	Kennedy (RI)	Price (NC)
Davis (FL)	Kennelly	Pryce (OH)
Davis (IL)	Kildee	Quinn
Davis (VA)	Rahall	Rahall
Deal	Kim	Ramstad
DeFazio	Kind (WI)	Redmond
DeGette	King (NY)	Regula
Delahunt	Kingston	Reyes
DeLauro	Klecza	Rivers
Deutsch	Klink	Rodriguez
Diaz-Balart	Klug	Roemer
Dickey	Knollenberg	Rogan
Dicks	Kolbe	Rogers
Dingell	Kucinich	Rohrabacher
Dixon	LaFalce	Ros-Lehtinen
Doggett	LaHood	Rothman
Dooley	Lampson	Roukema
Dreier	Lantos	Roybal-Allard
Dunn	Largent	Royce
Edwards	Latham	Rush
Ehlers	LaTourrette	Sabo
Ehrlich	Lazio	Sanchez
Engel	Leach	Sanders
English	Levin	Sandlin
Ensign	Lewis (CA)	Sawyer
Eshoo	Linder	Saxton
Etheridge	Lipinski	Scarborough
Evans	Livingston	Schumer
Ewing	LoBiondo	Scott
Farr	Lofgren	Serrano
Fattah	Lowe	Shaw
Fawell	Luther	Shays
Fazio	Maloney (CT)	Sherman
Filner	Maloney (NY)	Shimkus
Foley	Manton	Shuster
Forbes	Manzullo	Sisisky
Ford	Markey	Skaggs
Fowler	Mascara	Skeen
Fox	Matsui	Skelton
Frank (MA)	McCarthy (MO)	Slaughter
Franks (NJ)	McCarthy (NY)	Smith (MI)
Frelinghuysen	McCollum	Smith (NJ)
Furse	McCrery	Smith (TX)
Ganske	McDade	Smith, Adam
Gedjenson	McDermott	Snyder
Gibbons	McGovern	Souder
Gilchrist	McHale	Spence

Spratt	Thune	Weldon (FL)
Stabenow	Thurman	Weldon (PA)
Stark	Tierney	Weller
Stenholm	Torres	Wexler
Stokes	Towns	Weygand
Strickland	Traficant	Whitfield
Stupak	Turner	Wicker
Sununu	Upton	Wise
Talent	Velazquez	Wolf
Tanner	Vento	Woolsey
Tauscher	Visclosky	Wynn
Tauzin	Walsh	Yates
Taylor (MS)	Waters	Young (FL)
Thomas	Watt (NC)	
Thompson	Waxman	

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Aderholt	Gekas	Salmon
Barr	Hansen	Sanford
Bartlett	Herger	Schaefer, Dan
Bonilla	Hillery	Schaffer, Bob
Brady	Hostettler	Sensenbrenner
Burton	Jenkins	Sessions
Cannon	Johnson, Sam	Shadegg
Chenoweth	Jones	Smith (OR)
Coble	Lewis (KY)	Snowbarger
Coburn	Lucas	Solomon
Collins	Neumann	Stearns
Combest	Ney	Stump
Crane	Parker	Taylor (NC)
Cubin	Paul	Thornberry
Danner	Paxon	Tiahrt
DeLay	Peterson (PA)	Wamp
Doolittle	Petri	Watkins
Duncan	Pombo	Watts (OK)
Emerson	Radanovich	Young (AK)
Everett	Riley	
Fossella	Ryun	

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Bonior	Gonzalez	Riggs
Doyle	Lewis (GA)	Schiff
Frost	Martinez	Smith, Linda
Gallegly	Poshard	White
Gephardt	Rangel	

So the bill was passed.

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

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

¶22.16 ADJOURNMENT OVER

On motion of Mr. TIAHRT, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, March 23, 1998, at 2:00 p.m.

¶22.17 HOUR OF MEETING

On motion of Mr. TIAHRT, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Monday, March 23, 1998, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24, 1998 for “morning-hour debate”.

¶22.18 CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS DISPENSED WITH

On motion of Mr. TIAHRT, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That business in order for consideration on Wednesday, March 25, 1998, under clause 7, rule XXIV, the Calendar Wednesday rule, be dispensed with.

¶22.19 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE AMENDMENTS

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

To the Congress of the United States:

I am pleased to transmit for your immediate consideration and enactment

the "National and Community Service Amendments Act of 1998." This legislative proposal extends and amends national service law, including the National and Community Service Act of 1990 and the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973. It builds upon the long, bipartisan tradition of service in our country, which was renewed in 1993 when I signed the National and Community Service Trust Act creating the Corporation for National Service.

Service to one's community is an integral part of what it means to be an American. The Presidents' Summit for America's Future held in Philadelphia last April reinforced the role of programs supported by the Corporation for National Service as key vehicles to provide young people with the resources to maximize their potential and give back to their communities. Citizens service is also at the heart of our efforts to prepare America for the 21st century, as we work to ensure that all Americans have the opportunity to make the most of their own lives and to help those in need.

My Administration's most important contribution to citizen service is AmeriCorps, the national service program that already has given more than 100,000 young Americans the opportunity to serve their country. By tying opportunity to responsibility, we have given them the chance to serve and, in return, earn money for post-secondary education. In community after community, AmeriCorps members have proven that service can help us meet our most pressing social needs. For example, in Simpson County, Kentucky, AmeriCorps members helped second graders jump three grade levels in reading. In Boys and Girls Clubs, AmeriCorps members are mentors for at-risk young people. Habitat For Humanity relies upon AmeriCorps members to recruit more volunteers and build more houses. In communities beset by floods, tornadoes, and hurricanes, AmeriCorps members have helped to rebuild lives and restore hope. AmeriCorps members are helping to mobilize thousands of college students from more than 800 college campuses in our America Reads program. In all of these efforts, AmeriCorps brings together people of every background to work toward common goals.

Independent evaluators have reviewed AmeriCorps, National Senior Service Corps programs, and Learn and Serve America programs and have concluded that national service yields a positive return on investment. The proposed legislation that I am transmitting builds on our experiences with national service to date and improves national service programs in four ways: (1) by codifying agreements with the Congress and others to reduce costs and streamline national service; (2) strengthening partnerships with traditional volunteer organizations; (3) increasing States' flexibility to administer national service programs; and (4) expanding opportunities for Americans to serve.

Since the enactment of the National and Community Service Trust Act in 1993, and particularly since 1995, my Administration has worked with constructive critics of national service to address their concerns and improve the overall program. This proposed legislation continues that process by reducing the Corporation's average budgeted cost per AmeriCorps member, repealing authority for redundant or obsolete national service programs, and making other improvements in the efficiency of national service programs.

National service has never been a substitute for the contributions made by the millions of Americans who volunteer their time to worthy causes every year. Rather, as leaders of volunteer organizations have often expressed, national service has proven that the presence of full-time, trained service participants enhances tremendously the effectiveness of volunteers. This proposed legislation will strengthen the partnership between the national service programs and traditional volunteer organizations; codify the National Service Scholarship program honoring exemplary service by high school students; and expand the AmeriCorps Challenge Scholarships, through which national service participants can access education awards. It also will authorize appropriations for the Points of Light Foundation through the year 2002.

The National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993 explicitly conceived of national service as a Federal-State partnership. The Act vested significant authority in bipartisan State Commissions appointed by the Governors. I promised that we would accelerate the process of devolution as the newly created State Commissions expanded their capacities. This proposed legislation fulfills that promise in a variety of ways, including providing authority for the Corporation for National Service to enter into Service Collaboration Agreements with Governors to provide a means for coordinating the planning and administration of national service programs in a State.

This proposed legislation will also provide additional service opportunities. By reducing the cost per AmeriCorps member, it will enable more people to serve; it will broaden the age and income guidelines for National Senior Service Corps participants, expanding the pool of older Americans who can perform results-oriented service in their communities; and it will simplify the administration of Learn and Serve America, so States and communities will more easily be able to provide opportunities for students to learn through service in their schools and neighborhoods.

This past January, I had the opportunity to honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., by engaging in service on the holiday commemorating his birth. I joined 65 AmeriCorps members and more than 300 community volunteers in repairing and re-

painting Cardozo High School in the Shaw neighborhood of Washington, DC. Thirty-one years ago, Dr. King came to that very neighborhood and urged the people there to engage in citizen service to rebuild their lives, their community, and their future. That is what those national service participants, and the thousands more who were participating in similar projects across the country, were doing—honoring the legacy of Dr. King and answering the high calling of citizenship in this country.

Each of the more than 500,000 participants in the programs of the National Senior Service Corps and the 750,000 participants in programs supported by Learn and Serve America, and every AmeriCorps member answers that high calling of citizenship when they make and fulfill a commitment to service in their communities. This proposed legislation builds on the successes of these programs and improves them for the future.

I urge the Congress to give this proposed legislation prompt and favorable consideration.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *March 19, 1998.*

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-231).

#### ¶22.20 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted—

To Mr. UNDERWOOD, for today through 12 noon on March 25; and

To Mr. MARTINEZ, for today.

And then,

#### ¶22.21 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. DELAY, pursuant to the special order heretofore agreed to, at 3 o'clock and 21 minutes p.m., the House adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday, March 23, 1998.

#### ¶22.22 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. POMEROY (for himself, Mr. KOLBE, Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. GREEN, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. FROST, Mr. YATES, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. TORRES, Mr. EVANS, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, and Mr. SESSIONS):

H.R. 3503. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to enhance the portability of retirement benefits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for condition of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SHUSTER (for himself and Mr. OBERSTAR) (both by request):

H.R. 3504. A bill to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations

for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. DOOLEY of California (for himself and Mr. BOYD):

H.R. 3505. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to provide for the implementation of the revised ozone and particulate matter standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. EHLERS (for himself, Mr. JONES, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. HORN, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. ADERHOLT, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky, Mr. EWING, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. CAMP, Mr. LEACH, Mr. FAZIO of California, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. FAWELL, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. BILBRAY, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. LINDER, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. STUMP, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, and Mr. CALLAHAN):

H.R. 3506. A bill to award a congressional gold medal to Gerald R. and Betty FORD; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. SPENCE:

H.R. 3507. A bill to suspend until December 31, 2001, the duty on certain electrical transformers for use in the manufacture of audio systems; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 3508. A bill to suspend until December 31, 2001, the duty on loudspeakers not mounted in their enclosures; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 3509. A bill to suspend until December 31, 2001, the duty on parts for use in the manufacture of loudspeakers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BONIOR (for himself, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. FAZIO of California, Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. FROST, Mr. CLAY, Mr. OWENS, Mr. HINCHEY, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. CARSON, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COYNE, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. DICKS, Mr. DIXON, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FALOMAVAEGA, Mr. FORD, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. GREEN, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. HILLIARD, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. JACKSON, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. KLINK, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. LOFGREN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. MANTON, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. MILLER of California, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. NADLER, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Ms. NOR-

TON, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. POSHARD, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mrs. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SABO, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. STARK, Mr. STOKES, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. TORRES, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. VENTO, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. WEXLER, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. WYNN, Mr. YATES, Mr. FILNER, and Mr. OBEY):

H.R. 3510. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to increase the Federal minimum wage; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. THOMAS (for himself, Mr. STARK, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. CAMP, Mr. LINDER, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, and Mr. TOWNS):

H.R. 3511. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide additional exceptions to the imposition of civil money penalties in cases of payments to beneficiaries; 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. CHRISTENSEN:

H.R. 3512. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to Federal prisoners, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. CLAYTON (for herself, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. FROST, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. PASTOR, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. HILLIARD, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mr. BAESLER, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. STARK, Ms. FURSE, Ms. DANNER, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. SCOTT, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. FALOMAVAEGA, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. RUSH, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. WYNN, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. WATT of North Carolina):

H.R. 3513. A bill to reform agricultural credit programs of the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BALDACCIO, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. BOUCHER, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. BROWN of California, Ms. CARSON, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. COYNE, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. DELAHUNT, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FALOMAVAEGA, Mr. FAZIO of California, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. FORD, Mr. FROST, Ms. FURSE, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. JACKSON, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. LEACH, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms.

LOFGREN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MANTON, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. NADLER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. POMEROY, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUSH, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. STARK, Mr. TORRES, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. VENTO, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WEXLER, and Ms. WOOLSEY):

H.R. 3514. A bill to prevent violence against women, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Ways and Means, Commerce, Banking and Financial Services, National Security, and Government Reform and Oversight, 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. EHRlich:

H.R. 3515. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to exclude from income, for purposes of determining annual income for veterans' non-service-connected disability pension, amounts received by a veteran from any judgment or settlement of a claim for damages against the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania:

H.R. 3516. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for election for Federal office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Oversight, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Commerce, and Government Reform and Oversight, 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. FOX of Pennsylvania:

H.R. 3517. A bill to allow postal patrons to contribute to funding for diabetes research through the voluntary purchase of certain specially issued United States postage stamps; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. MEEHAN, and Mr. FOLEY):

H.R. 3518. A bill to provide for a transition to market-based rates for power sold by the Federal Power Marketing Administrations and the Tennessee Valley Authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and 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 Ms. GRANGER (for herself and Mr. ROEMER):

H.R. 3519. A bill to require the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to recognize that electronic forms of providing MSDSs provide the same level of access to information as paper copies; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Washington:

H.R. 3520. A bill to adjust the boundaries of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area and the adjacent Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. HOBSON:

H.R. 3521. A bill to provide for the conveyance of the Army Reserve Center in James-

town, Ohio, to benefit the Greeneview Local School District of Jamestown, Ohio; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island:

H.R. 3522. A bill to amend the Act entitled "An Act to establish the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor in Massachusetts and Rhode Island" to reauthorize assistance for historic, recreational, and environmental education projects related to the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. MCCOLLUM (for himself, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BALDACCIO, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. BOYD, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. FOLEY, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. GEKAS, Mr. GOSS, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MICA, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. NEY, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTER, Mr. REGULA, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. SHAW, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. TALENT, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. WELDON of Florida, and Mr. WEXLER):

H.R. 3523. A bill to amend the false claims provisions of title 31, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MCDERMOTT (for himself, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, and Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut):

H.R. 3524. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the standard deduction for joint filers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MORAN of Virginia:

H.R. 3525. A bill to amend the National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 to specify the number and use of vehicle lanes on any replacement of the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Bridge, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SHAYS (for himself, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. LEACH, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. LUTHER, Mr. BILBRAY, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. MINGE, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, and Mr. ALLEN):

H.R. 3526. A bill to reform the financing of Federal elections; to the Committee on House Oversight, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Government Reform and Oversight, and 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. SISISKY:

H.R. 3527. A bill to amend the Act entitled "An Act to establish a national military park at the battle fields of the siege of Petersburg, Virginia", approved July 3, 1926, to limit the authority of the Department of the Interior to impose fees for entrance to the City Point Unit of Petersburg National Battlefield; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma (for himself, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia):

H. Con. Res. 247. Concurrent resolution recognizing the contributions of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to the civil society of the United States and the world and to

the cause of nonviolent social and political change to advance social justice and equality for all races and calling on the people of the United States to study, reflect on, and celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on the thirtieth anniversary of his death; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ¶22.23 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

##### Under clause 2 of rule XIII.:

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 3113. A bill to reauthorize the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 (Rept. No. 105-455); which was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

#### ¶22.24 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 127: Mr. HUTCHINSON and Mr. THUNE.  
 H.R. 218: Mr. CLEMENT.  
 H.R. 371: Mr. BLAGOJEVICH.  
 H.R. 442: Mr. PAUL.  
 H.R. 453: Mr. RANGEL and Mrs. KELLY.  
 H.R. 493: Mrs. CAPPS.  
 H.R. 620: Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.  
 H.R. 758: Mr. OXLEY.  
 H.R. 789: Mr. HASTINGS of Washington.  
 H.R. 863: Mr. TIERNEY.  
 H.R. 934: Ms. DANNER.  
 H.R. 981: Mr. PAYNE, Mr. TORRES, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. FAWELL, Mr. HORN, and Mr. RUSH.  
 H.R. 991: Mr. LEVIN.  
 H.R. 1054: Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. WELLER, and Mr. DAVIS of Virginia.  
 H.R. 1134: Mr. MOAKLEY.  
 H.R. 1151: Mr. ROGAN and Mr. ENGEL.  
 H.R. 1241: Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon.  
 H.R. 1356: Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. GREEN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. REDMOND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. BEREUTER.  
 H.R. 1415: Mr. DIXON and Mr. BASS.  
 H.R. 1823: Mr. GUTIERREZ.  
 H.R. 1891: Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KLUG, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. BASS, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, and Mr. BLUMENAUER.  
 H.R. 2124: Mrs. CUBIN and Mr. HILL.  
 H.R. 2130: Mr. LANTOS, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. BALDACCIO, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. GEJDENSON.  
 H.R. 2409: Ms. DELAURO, Mr. HALL of Ohio, and Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania.  
 H.R. 2499: Mr. WATKINS, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. BECERRA, and Mr. BARCIA of Michigan.  
 H.R. 2541: Mr. WELDON of Florida.  
 H.R. 2568: Mr. CLYBURN.  
 H.R. 2609: Mr. HOEKSTRA and Mr. BLUNT.  
 H.R. 2708: Mr. DREIER, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mrs. NORTHUP, and Mr. BRADY.  
 H.R. 2734: Mr. NETHERCUTT.  
 H.R. 2758: Mr. ROYCE, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. FROST, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. JOHN. Mr. COBURN, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. FILNER, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. NEY, Mr. KLUG, Mr. GUTKNECHT, and Mr. CAMP.  
 H.R. 2774: Mr. SHERMAN.  
 H.R. 2786: Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut.  
 H.R. 2798: Mr. RUSH, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. HYDE, Mr. CRANE, Mr. YATES, Mr. PORTER, Mr. WELLER, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. FAWELL, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. EWING, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. EVANS, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. POSHARD, and Mr. SHIMKUS.  
 H.R. 2799: Mr. RUSH, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. HYDE, Mr. CRANE, Mr. YATES, Mr. PORTER, Mr. WELLER, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. FAWELL, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. EWING, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr.

EVANS, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. POSHARD, and Mr. SHIMKUS.

H.R. 2817: Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. FURSE, and Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut.

H.R. 2819: Mr. LEVIN and Mr. BROWN of California.

H.R. 2829: Mr. CLEMENT, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. SHAW, and Mr. SOUDER.

H.R. 2850: Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 2884: Mr. RAMSTAD and Mr. KING of New York.

H.R. 2914: Mr. BERRY.

H.R. 2931: Mr. LAMPSON and Mr. GOODLING.

H.R. 2960: Mr. BARCIA of Michigan.

H.R. 3027: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 3028: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 3050: Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin.

H.R. 3055: Mr. DIAZ-BALART and Mrs. MEEK of Florida.

H.R. 3081: Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. HORN, Mr. LEACH, Mr. FOLEY, and Mr. KLECZKA.

H.R. 3093: Mr. HUTCHINSON.

H.R. 3134: Mr. BORSKI and Mr. VENTO.

H.R. 3149: Mr. KOLBE.

H.R. 3151: Mr. KOLBE.

H.R. 3156: Mr. HOBSON, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. FILNER, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. HORN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. COYNE, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. BROWN of California, and Mr. LUTHER.

H.R. 3159: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. SOLOMON.

H.R. 3168: Mrs. CHENOWETH.

H.R. 3206: Mr. WELLER and Mr. CAMPBELL.

H.R. 3217: Mr. KLECZKA and Mr. KLING.

H.R. 3243: Mr. BILIRAKIS.

H.R. 3248: Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. SOUDER.

H.R. 3259: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 3265: Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, and Mr. WATKINS.

H.R. 3269: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

H.R. 3276: Mr. NETHERCUTT.

H.R. 3290: Mr. NEY, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. EHRlich, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. RAMSTAD, and Mrs. MORELLA.

H.R. 3300: Mr. MATSUI and Mr. MANTON.

H.R. 3331: Mr. SANFORD.

H.R. 3335: Mr. CANADY of Florida.

H.R. 3464: Mr. HASTINGS of Florida and Mrs. MALONEY of New York.

H.J. Res. 114: Mr. GANSKE, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. TRAFICANT, and Mr. HUNTER.

H. Con. Res. 47: Mr. TIERNEY.

H. Con. Res. 186: Mr. CALVERT.

H. Con. Res. 211: Mrs. MYRICK and Mr. NEY.

H. Con. Res. 219: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, and Mr. HASTINGS of Florida.

H. Con. Res. 246: Mr. SUNUNU, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Mr. BONIOR, and Mr. MORAN of Virginia.

H. Res. 37: Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Ms. RIVERS, and Mr. DAVIS of Florida.

H. Res. 380: Mr. RIGGS.

#### ¶22.25 DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsor was deleted from the public bill as follows:

H.R. 94: Mr. DELAHUNT.

### MONDAY, MARCH 23, 1998 (23)

#### ¶23.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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