

the Service's final rule—Continuity of Interest [TD 8783] (RIN: 1545-AW45) received October 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

11513. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, United States Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Removal Of Brazil From The List Of Nations Entitled To Reciprocal Exemption From The Payment Of Special Tonnage Taxes (T.D. 98-79) received October 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

¶102.8 FEDERAL EMPLOYEES HEALTH CARE PROTECTION

Mrs. MORELLA moved to suspend the rules and agree to the following amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1836) to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to improve administration of sanctions against unfit health care providers under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, and for other purposes:

Page 2, line 3, strike out "1997" and insert "1998".

Page 12, line 8, strike out "January 3, 1998" and insert "or before January 2, 1999".

Page 12, lines 13 and 14, strike out "January 3, 1998" and insert "or before January 2, 1999".

Page 12, line 18, strike out "January 3, 1998" and insert "or before January 2, 1999".

Page 13, line 13, strike out "January 3, 1998" and insert "or before January 2, 1999".

Page 13, line 19, strike out "January 3, 1998" and insert "or before January 2, 1999".

Page 14, lines 2 and 3, strike out "January 3, 1998" and insert "or before January 2, 1999".

Page 14, line 10, strike out "January 3, 1998" and insert "or before January 2, 1999".

Page 14, line 16, strike out "January 4, 1998" and insert "January 3, 1999 or such earlier date as established by the Office of Personnel Management after consultation with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as appropriate".

Page 14, line 24, strike out "January 3, 1998" and insert "or before January 2, 1999".

Page 15, line 13 after "Office" insert "of Personnel Management".

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, recognized Mrs. MORELLA and Mr. CUMMINGS, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said amendments?

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

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said amendments were agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said amendments were agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶102.9 FEDERAL EMPLOYEES CHILD CARE AFFORDABILITY

Mrs. MORELLA moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4280) to provide for greater access to child care services for Federal employees; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, recognized Mrs. MORELLA and Mr. CUMMINGS, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

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

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

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

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

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

¶102.10 SUBMISSION OF CONFERENCE REPORT—H.R. 4194

Mr. LEWIS of California submitted a conference report (Rept. No. 105-769) on the bill (H.R. 4194) making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes; together with a statement thereon, for printing in the Record under the rule.

¶102.11 FEDERAL EMPLOYEE LEAVE TIME FOR ORGAN DONOR

Mrs. MORELLA moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2943) to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase the amount of leave time available to a Federal employee in any year in connection with serving as an organ donor, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, recognized Mrs. MORELLA and Mr. CUMMINGS, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

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

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

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and 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.

¶102.12 FEDERAL LAND IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

Mr. HORN moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4614) to provide for the conveyance of Federal land in New Castle, New Hampshire, to the town of New Castle, New Hampshire, and to require the release of cer-

tain restrictions with respect to land in such town; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, recognized Mr. HORN and Mr. KUCINICH, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

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

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

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

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

¶102.13 TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION REFORM

Mr. HORN moved to suspend the rules and agree to the following amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 930) to require Federal employees to use Federal travel charge cards for all payments of expenses of official Government travel, to amend title 31, United States Code, to establish requirements for prepayment audits of Federal agency transportation expenses, to authorize reimbursement of Federal agency employees for taxes incurred on travel or transportation reimbursements, and to authorize test programs for the payment of Federal employee travel expenses and relocation expenses:

Page 2, line 5, strike out "1997" and insert "1998".

Page 3, after line 4 insert:

(b) AGENCY EXEMPTION.—*The head of a Federal agency or the designee of such head may exempt any payment, person, type or class of payments, or type or class of agency personnel from subsection (a) if the agency head or the designee determines the exemption to be necessary in the interest of the agency. Not later than 30 days after granting such an exemption, the head of such agency or the designee shall notify the Administrator of General Services in writing of such exemption stating the reasons for the exemption.*

Page 3, line 5, strike out "(b)" and insert "(c)".

Page 3, line 22, strike out "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 5, line 9, strike out "(d)" and insert "(e)".

Page 5, line 20, strike out "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 6, line 2, strike out "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 6, line 11, strike out "(e)" and insert "(f)".

Page 7, after line 5 insert:

(g) REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES.—*In accordance with regulations prescribed by the Administrator of General Services, the head of an agency shall ensure that the agency reimburses an employee who submits a proper voucher for allowable travel expenses in accordance with applicable travel regulations within 30 days after submission of the voucher. If an agency fails to reimburse an employee who has submitted a proper voucher within 30 days after submission of the voucher, the agency shall pay the employee a late payment fee as prescribed by the Administrator.*