

LA TOURETTE, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. KLINK, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. VISCLOSKEY, Mr. PARKER, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. MOAKLEY, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. ENGEL, and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania):

H. Res. 598. A resolution calling on the President to take all necessary measures to respond to the surge of steel imports resulting from the financial crises in Asia, Russia, and other regions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RIGGS:

H. Res. 599. A resolution expressing the sense of the House on a question relating to the privileges of the House; to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.

By Mr. ROYCE:

H. Res. 600. A resolution amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide that certain extraordinary bills reported by the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight to eliminate waste and provide reform of the executive branch are privileged; to the Committee on Rules.

¶111.41 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 371: Mr. MEEHAN.
 H.R. 468: Mr. SHERMAN.
 H.R. 902: Mr. WATKINS.
 H.R. 1061: Mr. OBERSTAR.
 H.R. 2704: Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. GREEN, Mr. NADLER, Ms. ESHOO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. KILPATRICK, and Mrs. MEEK of Florida.
 H.R. 2733: Mr. PITTS and Mr. BECERRA.
 H.R. 2868: Mr. SNOWBARGER.
 H.R. 2922: Mr. GOODE.
 H.R. 2923: Mr. MCHALE.
 H.R. 3514: Mr. WEYGAND.
 H.R. 3905: Mr. BARR of Georgia.
 H.R. 3925: Mr. ACKERMAN.
 H.R. 3955: Ms. KILPATRICK and Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin.
 H.R. 4171: Mr. TRAFICANT and Mr. WISE.
 H.R. 4174: Mr. LUTHER.
 H.R. 4221: Mr. ANDREWS.
 H.R. 4235: Mr. DEUTSCH.
 H.R. 4315: Mr. GEPHARDT.
 H.R. 4332: Mr. CLEMENT.
 H.R. 4403: Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD.
 H.R. 4429: Mr. DIXON.
 H.R. 4449: Mr. LAMPSON.
 H.R. 4531: Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. FARR of California, and Mr. LUTHER.
 H.R. 4534: Ms. DEGETTE.
 H.R. 4674: Mr. MILLER of California.
 H.R. 4716: Mr. FILNER.
 H.R. 4761: Mr. LAZIO of New York.
 H.R. 4765: Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky.
 H.R. 4818: Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. CARSON, Mr. SERRANO and Mr. JEFFERSON.
 H. Con. Res. 322: Mr. KUCINICH.
 H. Con. Res. 325: Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Mr. FARR of California, and Mr. GILMAN.
 H. Con. Res. 345: Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. BOB SCHAFFER, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. BLUNT, and Mrs. CUBIN.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1998 (112)

¶112.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
 October 15, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable FRANK RIGGS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

¶112.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. RIGGS, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, October 14, 1998.

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

¶112.3 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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

H.R. 3723. An Act to authorize funds for the payment of salaries and expenses of the Patent and Trademark Office, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4151. An Act to amend chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4259. An Act to allow Haskell Indian Nations University and the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute each to conduct a demonstration project to test the feasibility and desirability of new personnel management policies and procedures, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 4660. An Act to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide rewards for information leading to the arrest or conviction of any individual for the commission of an act, or conspiracy to act, of international terrorism, narcotics related offenses, or for serious violations of international humanitarian law relating to the Former Yugoslavia, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed a bill of the following title in which concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2253. An Act to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase bullet resistant equipment for use by law enforcement departments.

The message also announced that the Senate agrees to the amendments of the House to the bill (S. 2375) "An Act to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, to strengthen prohibitions on international bribery and other corrupt practices, and for other purposes," with amendments.

¶112.4 VISA PROCESSING EXTENSION

Mr. GEKAS moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4821) to extend into fiscal year 1999 the visa processing period for diversity applicants whose visa processing was suspended during fiscal year 1998 due to embassy bombings.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. RIGGS, recognized Mr. GEKAS and Mr. PAYNE, 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. RIGGS, 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.

¶112.5 PACIFIC NORTHWEST EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENT

Mr. GEKAS moved to suspend the rules and pass the joint resolution of the Senate (S.J. Res. 35) granting the consent of Congress to the Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. RIGGS, recognized Mr. GEKAS and Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,
 The question being put, *viva voce*,
 Will the House suspend the rules and pass said joint resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. RIGGS, 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 joint resolution was passed.

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

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶112.6 SUSPENSION OF THE RULES NOTICE

Mr. GEKAS, pursuant to House Resolution 589, at 10:55 a.m. announced the Speaker would recognize Members for motions to suspend the rules under clause 2 of rule XXVII with respect to the following bills to be considered today: H.R. 4572, to clarify that governmental pension plans of the possessions of the United States shall be treated in the same manner as State pension plans for purposes of the limitation on the State income taxation of pension income; H.R. 4831, to temporarily reenact chapter 12 of title 11 of the United States Code; S. 417, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 2002; H.R. 4660, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide rewards for information leading to the arrest or conviction of any individual for the commission of an act, or conspiracy to act, of international terrorism, narcotics related offenses, or for serious violations of international humanitarian law relating to the Former Yugoslavia.

¶112.7 INTERSTATE FOREST FIRE PROTECTION

Mr. GEKAS moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill of the Senate (S. 1134) granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact.