

Commission for fiscal years 2000 and 2001.

When said resolution and report were referred to the House Calendar and ordered printed.

¶20.20 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—
NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT
TO IRAN

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

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice, stating that the national emergency declared with respect to Iran on March 15, 1995, pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701-1706) is to continue in effect beyond March 15, 1999, to the *Federal Register* for publication. This emergency is separate from that declared on November 14, 1979, in connection with the Iranian hostage crisis and therefore requires separate renewal of emergency authorities. The last notice of continuation was published in the *Federal Register* on March 6, 1998.

The factors that led me to declare a national emergency with respect to Iran on March 15, 1995, have not been resolved. The actions and policies of the Government of Iran, including support for international terrorism, its efforts to undermine the Middle East peace process, and its acquisition of weapons of mass destruction and the means to deliver them, continue to threaten the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. Accordingly, I have determined that it is necessary to maintain in force the broad programs I have authorized pursuant to the March 15, 1995, declaration of emergency.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *March 10, 1999.*

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 106-38).

¶20.21 ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 882. An Act to nullify any reservation of funds during fiscal year 1999 for guaranteed loans under the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for qualified beginning farmers or ranchers, and for other purposes.

¶20.22 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted—

To Mrs. CAPPS, for today and the balance of the week;

To Mr. FROST, for today and the balance of the week;

To Mr. SHERMAN, for today.

To Mr. MINGE, for today; and

To Mr. BILBRAY, for today and the balance of the week.

And then,

¶20.23 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. HOEKSTRA, at 10 o'clock and 36 minutes p.m., the House adjourned.

¶20.24 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON
PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. TALENT: Committee on Small Business. H.R. 774. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to change the conditions of participation and provide an authorization of appropriations for the women's business center program (Rept. No. 106-47). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 103. Resolution providing for consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 42) regarding the use of United States Armed Forces as part of a NATO peacekeeping operation implementing a Kosovo peace agreement (Rept. No. 106-48). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mrs. MYRICK: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 104. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 819) to authorize appropriations for the Federal Maritime Commission for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 (Rept. No. 106-49). Referred to the House Calendar.

¶20.25 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. JACKSON of Illinois (for himself, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Ms. LEE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. CARSON, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. WYNN, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. RUSH, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. STARK, Mr. DEFazio, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. SANCHEZ, and Ms. BERKLEY):

H.R. 1048. A bill to amend title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to make such title fully applicable to the judicial branch of the Federal Government; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BLAGOJEVICH:

H.R. 1049. A bill to authorize an individual or the estate of an individual who has suffered damages from the discharge of a firearm to bring a civil action in a district court of the United States against the manufacturer, distributor, or retailer of the firearm

for such damages if the firearm had been in interstate commerce and the firearm's manufacturer, distributor, or retailer was negligent in its manufacture, distribution, or sale and also to bring such action on behalf of the political subdivision and State in which such individual resides to recover the healthcare and law enforcement costs of the State or political subdivision arising out of the discharge of firearms; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. LEE (for herself, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. BROWN of California, Ms. CARSON, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. LANTOS, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. NADLER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. STARK, Mr. TOWNS, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. OLVER, and Mr. FILNER):

H.R. 1050. A bill to establish a living wage, jobs for all policy by instituting overall planning to develop those living wage job opportunities essential to fulfillment of basic rights and responsibilities in a healthy democratic society; by facilitating conversion from unneeded military programs to civilian activities that meet important human needs; by producing a Federal capital budget through appropriate distinctions between operating and investment outlays; and by reducing poverty, violence, and the undue concentration of income, wealth, and power, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Armed Services, and Rules, 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. COYNE:

H.R. 1051. A bill to eliminate the fees for Federal administration of State supplementary SSI payments; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DUNCAN:

H.R. 1052. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, relating to civil penalties for unruly passengers of air carriers; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts:

H.R. 1053. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to repeal the provisions prohibiting persons convicted of drug offenses from receiving student financial assistance; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. GOODLING (for himself, Mr. METCALF, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. BRADY of Texas, and Mr. BAKER):

H.R. 1054. A bill to prohibit certain foreign assistance to countries that consistently oppose the United States position in the United Nations General Assembly; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. JONES of North Carolina (for himself, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. UNDERWOOD, and Mrs. MYRICK):

H.R. 1055. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a \$500 refundable credit to certain low-income members of the uniformed services; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KUCINICH:

H.R. 1056. A bill to provide for a loan guarantee program to address the Year 2000 computer problems of small business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.