

By offering legal status to a number of nationals of these countries with long-standing ties in the United States, we can advance our commitment to peace and stability in the region.

Passage of the "Central American and Haitian Party Act of 1999" will evidence our commitment to fair and even-handed treatment of nationals from these countries and to the strengthening of democracy and economic stability among important neighbors. I urge the prompt and favorable consideration of this legislative proposal by the Congress.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, August 5, 1999.

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 106-114).

¶91.57 SUBMISSION OF CONFERENCE REPORT—S. 1059

Mr. SPENCE submitted a conference report (Rept. No. 106-301) on the bill (S. 1059) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2000 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; together with a statement thereon, for printing in the Record under the rule.

¶91.58 SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 695. An Act to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in various locations in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

¶91.59 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 was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2465. An Act making appropriations for military construction, family housing and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

And then,

¶91.60 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. SPENCE, pursuant to the provisions of Senate Concurrent Resolution 51, at 12 o'clock and 13 minutes a.m., Friday, August 6 (legislative day of Thursday, August 5), 1999, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, September 8, 1999.

¶91.61 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. KASICH: Committee on the Budget. H.R. 853. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide for joint resolutions on the budget, reserve funds for emergency spending, strengthened enforcement of budgetary decisions, increased accountability for Federal spending, accrual budgeting for Federal insurance programs, mitigation of the bias in the budget process toward higher spending, on-budget surplus, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 106-198, Pt. 2). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. DREIER: Committee on Rules. H.R. 853. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide for joint resolutions on the budget, reserve funds for emergency spending, strengthened enforcement of budgetary decisions, increased accountability for Federal spending, accrual budgeting for Federal insurance programs, mitigation of the bias in the budget process toward higher spending, modifications in paygo requirements when there is an on-budget surplus, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 106-198, Pt. 3). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. THOMAS: Committee on House Administration. H.R. 1867. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-294). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. THOMAS: Committee on House Administration. H.R. 2668. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-295). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. THOMAS: Committee on House Administration. H.R. 1922. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-296 Part 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. THOMAS: Committee on House Administration. H.R. 417. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office, and for other purposes; adversely (Rept. No. 106-297 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Conference. Conference report on S. 507. An act to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-298). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. ISTOOK: Committee on Conference. Conference report on H.R. 2587. A bill making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-299). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. COMBEST: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 2559. A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to strengthen the safety net for agricultural producers by providing greater access to more affordable risk management tools and improved protection from production and income loss, to improve the efficiency and integrity of the Federal crop insurance program, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 106-300). Re-

ferred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SPENCE: Committee on Conference. Conference report on S. 1059. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2000 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-301). Ordered to be printed.

¶91.62 TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 417. Referral to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Government Reform, the Judiciary, Ways and Means, and Rules extended for a period ending not later than August 5, 1999.

H.R. 1922. Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than August 5, 1999.

¶91.63 DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X, the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Government Reform, the Judiciary, Ways and Means, and Rules discharged. H.R. 417 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X, the Committee on Ways and Means discharged. H.R. 1922 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

¶91.64 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. RANGEL (for himself, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. BECERRA, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. FROST, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KANJORSKI, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. PASTOR, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. WEINER):

H.R. 2713. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit against income tax for certain investments in businesses located in low-income communities; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CRANE (for himself and Ms. DUNN):

H.R. 2714. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to change the rate of duty for United States travelers bringing back to the United States goods purchased abroad; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CRANE (for himself and Mr. RANGEL):

H.R. 2715. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to provide for duty-free treatment of personal effects of participants entering the United States to participate in international athletic events, and items used in connection with such events; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan (for himself, Mr. PHELPS, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. BOSWELL, and Mr. THUNE):

H.R. 2716. A bill to provide supplemental market loss payments for farm owners and