

rule—Enrollment-Provision of Hospital and Outpatient Care to Veterans (RIN: 2900-AJ18) received October 6, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

4754. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Returned and Canceled Checks (RIN: 2900-AJ61) received October 6, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

¶112.8 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. STEARNS, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, September 20, 1999.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on October 8, 1999 at 3:20 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President whereby he transmits a report on the continued production of the naval petroleum reserves beyond April 5, 2000.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHLL

¶112.9 NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVES PRODUCTION

The Clerk then read the message from the President, as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 201(3) of the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (10 U.S.C. 7422(c)(2)), I am informing you of my decision to extend the period of production of the naval petroleum reserves for a period of 3 years from April 5, 2000, the expiration date of the currently authorized period of production.

Attached is a copy of the report investigating the necessity of continued production of the reserves as required by 10 U.S.C. 7422(c)(2)(B). In light of the findings contained in that report, I certify that continued production from the naval petroleum reserves is in the national interest.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, October 8, 1999.

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 106-142).

¶112.10 CORRECTIONS CALENDAR

Pursuant to clause 6, rule XV, The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. STEARNS, directed the Corrections Calendar to be called.

When,

¶112.11 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY

The Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union was dis-

charged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 576) to amend title 4, United States Code, to add the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed.

When said bill was considered and read twice.

After debate,

Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XV, the previous question on the bill was considered as ordered.

The question being put, viva voce,

The bill 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. STEARNS, announced that three-fifths of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, pursuant to clause 6 of rule XV, three-fifths of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the bill was passed.

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

¶112.12 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY

On motion of Mr. MCCOLLUM, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (S. 322) to amend title 4, United States Code, to add the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed; was taken from the Speaker's table.

When said bill was considered, read twice, ordered to be read a third time, was read a third time by title, and passed.

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

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

By unanimous consent, H.R. 576, a similar House bill, was laid on the table.

¶112.13 ANIMAL PROTECTION

Mr. MCCOLLUM moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1791) to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for harming animals used in Federal law enforcement; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. STEARNS, recognized Mr. MCCOLLUM and Mr. SCOTT, 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. STEARNS, 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.

¶112.14 WILLIAM H. AVERY POST OFFICE

Mr. MCHUGH moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2591) to designate the United States Post Office located at 713 Elm Street in Wakefield, Kansas, as the "William H. Avery Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. STEARNS, recognized Mr. MCHUGH and Mr. FATTAH, 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. STEARNS, 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.

¶112.15 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.

¶112.16 JAY HANNA DEAN POST OFFICE

Mr. MCHUGH moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2460) to designate the United States Post Office located at 125 Border Avenue West in Wiggins, Mississippi, as the "Jay Hanna 'Dizzy' Dean Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. STEARNS, recognized Mr. MCHUGH and Mr. FATTAH, 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. STEARNS, 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.

¶112.17 LOUISE STOKES POST OFFICE

Mr. MCHUGH moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2357) to designate the United States Post Office located at 3675 Warrensville Center Road in Shaker Heights, Ohio, as the "Louise Stokes Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. STEARNS, recognized Mr. MCHUGH and Mr. FATTAH, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,