

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today and the balance of the week, on account of medical reasons.

Mrs. CHENOWETH (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today and March 13, on account of medical reasons.

Mr. CHRISTENSEN (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today, on account of a death in the family.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. GUTKNECHT) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. MICA, for 5 minutes, on March 13.

Mr. CHRYSLER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes each day on March 12, 13, 14, and 15.

Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes each day on March 12 and 14.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. ABERCROMBIE.

Mr. SCHUMER in two instances.

Mrs. MEEK of Florida in two instances.

Ms. DELAURO.

Mr. PICKETT.

Mr. GUTIERREZ.

Mr. POSHARD.

Mrs. KENNELLY.

Ms. PELOSI.

Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida.

Mr. KLECZKA.

Mr. DELLUMS.

Mr. COYNE.

Mr. McDERMOTT.

Mrs. SCHROEDER.

Mr. ACKERMAN.

Mr. FAZIO of California.

Mr. JACOBS.

Mr. STARK in two instances.

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.

Mr. TORRES.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. GUTKNECHT) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. HOKE.

Mr. SOLOMON.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

Mr. KNOLLENBERG.

Mr. WALKER.

Mrs. ROUKEMA.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

Mr. HAYWORTH.

Mr. SCHAEFER.

Mr. GOODLING.

Mr. RADANOVICH.

Mr. LAZIO of New York.

Mr. McDADE.

Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. Thomas, from the Committee on House Oversight, 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. 927. An Act to seek international sanctions against the Castro government in Cuba, to plan for support of a transition Government leading to a democratically elected Government in Cuba, and for other purposes.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. Thomas, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee did on the following days present to the President, for his approval, bills of the House of the following titles:

March 8, 1996:

H.R. 2778. An act to provide that members of the Armed Forces performing services for the peacekeeping efforts in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, and Macedonia shall be entitled to tax benefits in the same manner as if such services were performed in a combat zone, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3021. An act to guarantee the continuing full investment of Social Security and other Federal funds in obligations of the United States.

March 11, 1996:

H.R. 927. An act to seek international sanctions against the Castro government in Cuba, to plan for support of a transition government leading to a democratically elected government in Cuba, and for other purposes.

BILLS APPROVED AFTER SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT

The President notified the Clerk of the House that, subsequent to the sine die adjournment of the First Session of the 104th Congress, he had approved and signed on the following dates bills of the following titles:

January 4, 1996:

H.R. 2808. An act to extend authorities under the Middle East Peace Facilitation Act of 1994 until March 31, 1996, and for other purposes.

January 6, 1996:

H.R. 1655. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

January 10, 1996:

H.R. 394. An act to amend title 4 of the United States Code to limit State taxation of certain pension income.

H.R. 2627. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the sesquicentennial of the founding of the Smithsonian Institution.

January 11, 1996:

H.R. 2203. An act to reauthorize the tied aid credit program of the Export-Import

Bank of the United States, and to allow the Export-Import Bank to conduct a demonstration project.

January 16, 1996:

H.R. 1295. An act to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to make certain revisions relating to the protection of famous marks.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

The President notified the Clerk of the House that he approved and signed on the following dates bills and joint resolutions of the House of the following titles:

January 4, 1996:

H.J. Res. 153. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes.

January 6, 1996:

H.J. Res. 134. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1358. An act to require the Secretary of Commerce to convey to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts the National Marine Fisheries Service laboratory located on Emerson Avenue in Gloucester, Massachusetts.

H.R. 1643. An act making appropriations for certain activities for the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes.

January 26, 1996:

H.R. 2880. An act making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a downpayment toward a balanced budget, and for other purposes.

February 1, 1996:

H.R. 1606. An act to designate the United States Post Office building located at 24 Corliss Street, Providence, Rhode Island, as the "Harry Kizirian Post Office Building."

H.R. 2061. An act to designate the Federal Building located at 1550 Dewey Avenue, Baker City, Oregon, as the "David J. Wheeler Federal Building."

February 8, 1996:

H.R. 2924. An act to guarantee the timely payment of social security benefits in March 1996.

February 10, 1996:

H.R. 2029. An act to amend the Farm Credit Act of 1971 to provide regulatory relief, and for other purposes.

February 12, 1996:

H.R. 1868. An act making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2111. An act to designate the Federal Building located at 1231 Nevin Avenue in Richmond, California, as the "Frank Hagel Federal Building."

H.R. 2726. An act to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans, and for other purposes.

February 13, 1996:

H.R. 2353. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out certain programs and activities, to require certain reports from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2657. An act to award a congressional gold medal to Ruth and Billy Graham.

March 5, 1996:

H.R. 1718. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 197 South Main Street in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, as the "Max Rosenn United States Courthouse."

SENATE BILLS APPROVED

The President notified the Clerk of the House that he approved and signed

on the following dates bills of the Senate of the following titles:

February 6, 1996:

S. 1341. An act to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the city of Scottsdale, Arizona, and for other purposes.

February 8, 1996:

S. 652. An act to promote competition and reduce regulation in order to secure lower prices and higher quality services for American telecommunications consumers and encourage the rapid deployment of new telecommunications technologies.

February 10, 1996:

S. 1124. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 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, to reform acquisition law and information technology management of the Federal Government, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 39 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 13, 1996, at 11 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

[Omitted from the Record of March 8, 1996]

2222. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-217, "Closing of a Portion of a Public Alley in Square 5259, S.O. 92-45, Act of 1996," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2223. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-218, "Highway Trust Fund Establishment Temporary Act of 1996," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

[Submitted March 12, 1996]

2224. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting OMB's estimate of the amount of discretionary new budget authority and outlays for the current year, if any, and the budget year provided by H.R. 1868, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388-578); to the Committee on the Budget.

2225. A letter from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's report entitled "Annual Report to Congress—Progress on Superfund Implementation in Fiscal Year 1995," pursuant to 45 U.S.C. 9651; to the Committee on Commerce.

2226. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the design and development subphase two of the NATO Improved Link Eleven [NILE] project (Transmittal No. 06-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

2227. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning a cooperative project

with Norway for development of a composite hull structural monitoring system (Transmittal No. 05-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

2228. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

2229. A letter from the Auditor, District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of a report entitled "Program Review of the Economic Development Finance Corporation For Fiscal Year 1994," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 47-117(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2230. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Human Resources and Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2231. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting notification that it is in the public interest to use procedures other than full and open competition to award a particular OMP contract, pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 253(c)(7); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2232. A letter from the Vice President and General Counsel, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2233. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2234. A letter from the Director, Selective Service System, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2235. A letter from the Administrator, Small Business Administration, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2236. A letter from the Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2237. A letter from the Chairman, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2238. A letter from the President, Boy Scouts of America, transmitting the Boy Scouts of America 1995 report to the Nation, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 28; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2239. A letter from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting a report entitled, "Financial Audit: Federal Family Education Loan Program's Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 1994 and 1993" (GAO/AIMD-96-22), pursuant to Public Law 101-576, section 305 (104 Stat. 2853); jointly, to the Committees on Government Reform and Oversight and Economic and Educational Opportunities.

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. BLILEY: Committee on Commerce. H.R. 2972. A bill to authorize appropriations for the Securities and Exchange Commission, to reduce the fees collected under the Federal securities laws, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 104-479). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Ms. PRYCE: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 380. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2703) to combat terrorism (Rept. 104-480). Referred to the House Calendar.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEES

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

[The following action occurred on March 11, 1996]

H.R. 2276. The Committees on Government Reform and Oversight and the Budget discharged from further consideration. Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. WALKER (for himself, Mr. BROWN of California, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. DAVIS, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mrs. SEASTRAND, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. MCHALE, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. MINGE, Mr. OLVER, Ms. RIVERS, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, and Mr. BAKER of California):

H.R. 3060. A bill to implement the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty; to the Committee on Science, and in addition to the Committees on International Relations, and Resources, 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. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 3061. A bill to resolve certain conveyances under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act related to Cape Fox Corp., and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. COX of California (for himself and Mr. DUNCAN):

H.R. 3062. A bill to authorize the States to assist the Attorney General in performing functions under the Immigration and Nationality Act relating to deportation of aliens; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ARCHER (for himself and Mr. THOMAS):

H.R. 3063. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve portability and continuity of health insurance coverage in the group and individual markets, to combat waste, fraud, and abuse in health insurance and health care delivery, to promote the use of medical savings accounts, and to simplify the administration of health insurance; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in