

which may be imposed for the offense under this section shall be the higher of that otherwise provided by law or the maximum term that could have been imposed for any offense charged in such case.”;

(2) in section 1512, by adding at the end the following:

“(i) If the offense under this section occurs in connection with a trial of a criminal case, the maximum term of imprisonment which may be imposed for the offense shall be the higher of that otherwise provided by law or the maximum term that could have been imposed for any offense charged in such case.”; and

(3) in section 1503(a), by adding at the end the following: “If the offense under this section occurs in connection with a trial of a criminal case, and the act in violation of this section involves the threat of physical force or physical force, the maximum term of imprisonment which may be imposed for the offense shall be the higher of that otherwise provided by law or the maximum term that could have been imposed for any offense charged in such case.”.

The CHAIRMAN. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition to a Member offering an amendment that he has preprinted in the designated place in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. Those amendments will be considered as having been read.

Pursuant to the order of the House of today, the chairman of the Committee of the Whole House may postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment and may reduce to not less than 5 minutes the time for voting by electronic device on any postponed question that immediately follows another vote by electric device without intervening business, provided that the time for voting by electronic device on the first in any series of questions shall not be less than 15 minutes.

Are there any amendments to the bill?

If not, the question is on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN. Under the rule, the Committee rises.

Accordingly the Committee rose, and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SHADEGG) having assumed the chair, Mr. LATOURETTE, chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3120) to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to witness retaliation, witness tampering and jury tampering, pursuant to House Resolution 422, he reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the rule, the previous question is ordered.

The question is on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of May 12, 1995, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. LIPINSKI] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. LIPINSKI addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana [Mr. BURTON] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. BURTON addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California [Mr. FILNER] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. FILNER addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Florida [Mr. MICA] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. MICA addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Connecticut [Mr. GEJDENSON] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. GEJDENSON addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California [Mr. RIGGS] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. RIGGS addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. SMITH] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. SMITH addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gen-

tleman from Washington [Mr. METCALF] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. METCALF addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Georgia [Mr. KINGSTON] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. KINGSTON addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

OUTSTANDING LEGISLATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of May 12, 1995, the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. FOX] is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I will just take a few moments to address the House, just to congratulate my colleagues today who introduced outstanding legislation which was passed. DICK CHRYSLER's bill which is going to increase the penalties for those who commit crimes against children and the elderly, and by doing this we will put a disincentive in our criminal justice system for those who were thinking about committing violent crimes against children under 14 and the elderly.

I also commend Congressman ROYCE from California for his outstanding legislation which will for the first time create the Federal offense of stalking between States. I was pleased to hear from one of his constituents who had a 13-year ordeal with someone stalking her and her life in jeopardy constantly. Others have not been as fortunate to be able to live through the experience and thank goodness for EDWARD ROYCE's legislation that will now put some teeth in the law to add a disincentive in severe penalties for those who would commit the crime of Federal stalking.

Finally, I wish to congratulate DICK ZIMMER, who passed today with our help Megan's law. The Kanka family, Megan Kanka, who was brutally murdered and raped by a criminal who lived right across the street virtually in her neighborhood in New Jersey.

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That crime was so egregious that we now have a new Federal law which will require that there be, by those criminals who have committed prior acts of sexual offenses, to be registered, and so we can make sure that we limit the amount of crimes like these again and so that Megan's life will not have been in vain.

Her parents, Maureen and Richard Kanka, gave eloquent testimony this morning here at the Capitol about the importance of Megan's law in requiring that our States notify communities of the presence of convicted sex offenders who might pose a danger, just like they did to their daughter. And our hearts

and prayers go out to that family. We thank them for their efforts in what they have done, working with Congressman ZIMMER to pass this important law.

I also thank my colleagues as well for their support of my anticrime legislation which will add severe penalties for those who would tamper with witnesses, tamper with jurors or intimidate witnesses, and I appreciate the fact that here today in Congress we passed four important anticrime laws which will go to protect our citizens and further to make sure that our justice system is preserved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. MOLINARI (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today and for the balance of the week on account of maternity leave.

Mr. MCDADE (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today on account of medical reasons.

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 Mr. WATT of North Carolina) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. LIPINSKI for 5 minutes today.

Mr. FILNER for 5 minutes today.

Mr. GEJDENSON for 5 minutes today.

Mr. FIELDS of Louisiana for 60 minutes today.

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

Mr. MICA for 5 minutes today.

Mr. RIGGS for 5 minutes today.

Mr. SMITH of Michigan for 5 minutes today.

Mr. METCALF for 5 minutes today.

Ms. PRYCE for 5 minutes each day on May 8 and 9.

Mr. KINGSTON for 5 minutes today.

Mr. CHAMBLISS for 5 minutes on May 8.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

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

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

Mr. REED in three instances.

Mr. DOYLE.

Mr. LANTOS.

Mr. OLVER.

Mr. STARK in two instances.

Mr. SKAGGS.

Mr. MANTON in two instances.

Mr. MORAN.

Mr. LIPINSKI.

Mr. GORDON in nine instances.

Mr. GEJDENSON in two instances.

Mr. ROEMER.

Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois.

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

Mr. FIELDS of Texas.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina.

Mr. BILIRAKIS.

Mr. FRANKS of Connecticut.

Mr. DORNAN.

Mr. BALLENGER.

Mr. DAVIS.

Mr. SOLOMON.

Mr. COBLE.

Mr. HUNTER.

Mrs. MORELLA.

Mr. SMITH of Michigan.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

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

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H.R. 2064. An act to grant the consent of Congress to an amendment of the Historic Chatahoochee Compact between the States of Alabama and Georgia; and

H.R. 2243. An act to amend the Trinity River Basin Fish and Wildlife Management Act of 1984, to extend for three years the availability of moneys for the restoration of fish and wildlife in the Trinity River, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 1 minute p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 8, 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:

2839. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Sweet Onions Grown in the Walla Walla Valley of Southeast Washington and Northeast Oregon; Assessment Rate (FV96-956-2IFR) received May 6, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2840. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Irish Potatoes Grown in Washington; Assessment Rate (FV96-946-2IFR) received May 6, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2841. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Spearment Oil Produced in the Far West; Assessment Rate (FV96-985-2IFR) received May 6, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2842. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting

the Service's final rule—Milk in the Southeast Marketing Area (DA-95-22FR) received May 6, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2843. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting on behalf of the President, the annual report on the Panama Canal Treaties, fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3871; to the Committee on National Security.

2844. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's report on the notice of final funding priorities for training personnel for the Education of Individuals with Disabilities Program and Program for Children and Youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance—received May 6, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

2845. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Seat Belt Assemblies; Child Restraint Systems (RIN: 2127-AF67) received May 6, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy.

2846. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Cold, Cough, Allergy, Bronchodilator, and Antiasthmatic Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use; Products Containing Diphenhydramine Citrate or Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride; Enforcement Policy (RIN: 0901-AA01) received May 6, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2847. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting a report on the nondisclosure of safeguards information for the quarter ending March 31, 1996, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2167(e); to the Committee on Commerce.

2848. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Relief from reporting by small issuers (RIN: 3235-AG48) received May 7, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2849. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Exemption for certain California limited issues (RIN: 3235-AG51) received May 7, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2850. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a report on the status of efforts to obtain Iraq's compliance with the resolutions adopted by the U.N. Security Council, pursuant to Public Law 102-1, section 3 (105 Stat. 4) (H. Doc. No. 104-208); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

2851. A letter from the Deputy Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule—Prevailing Rate Systems; Changes in Survey Responsibilities for Certain Appropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Areas (RIN: 3206-AH28) received May 7, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2852. A letter from the Program Management Officer, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting the Service's interim rule—To Authorize Small Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities in Arctic Waters (RIN: 0648-AG80) received May 6, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2853. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service,