(F) the offices of any caucus or party organization:

(G) the Congressional Budget Office, the Office of Technology Assessment, and the Office of Compliance; and;

(H) the Executive Office of the Secretary of the Senate, the Office of Senate Security, the Senate Disbursing Office and the Administrative Office of the Sergeant at Arms.

§247.2. Application of Chapter 71

(a) The requirements and exemptions of chapter 71 of title 5, United States Code, as made applicable by section 220 of the CAA, shall apply to covered employees who are employed in the offices listed in section 2472.1 in the same manner and to the same extent as those requirements and exemptions are applied to other covered employees.

(b) The regulations of the Office, as set forth at sections 2420–29 and 2470–71, shall apply to the employing offices listed in section 2472.1, covered employees who are employed in those offices and representatives of those employees.

§2472.3. Exclusion from coverage

Notwithstading any other provision of these regulations, any covered employee who is employed in an office listed in section 2472.1 shall be excluded from coverage under section 220 if it is determined in an appropriate proceeding that such exclusion is required because of (a) a conflict of interest or appearance of a conflict of interest, or (b) Congress' constitutional responsibilities.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

3144. A letter from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting notification that the report required by section 365(a) of Public Law 104-106 will be transmitted to Congress no later than September 1, 1996; to the Committee on National Security.

3145. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting OMB's estimate of the amount of change in outlays or receipts, as the case may be, in each fiscal year through fiscal year 2002 resulting from passage of H.R. 2024 and H.R. 2243, pursuant to Public Law 101–508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388–582); to the Committee on the Budget.

3146. A letter from the Chair, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the 1995 annual report of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 797(d); to the Committee on Commerce

3147. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Guides for the Metalic Watch Band Industry and Guides for the Jewelry Industry—received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3148. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LOA] to the Netherlands for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 96–50), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

3149. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LOA] to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office [TECRO] in the United States for defense articles and services (transmittal No. 96-48), pursuant to

 $22\ U.S.C.\ 2776(b);$ to the Committee on International Relations.

3150. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for production of major military equipment with Japan (Transmittal No. DTC-30-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

3151. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report on nuclear nonproliferation in South Asia for the period of October 1, 1995, through March 31, 1996, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2376(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

3152. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LOA] to Greece for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 96-49), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

3153. A communication from the President of the United States transmitting notification that on May 19, 1996, heavy fighting broke out between government forces and mutinous troops in the capital city of Bangui, Central African Republic, and that on May 20, 1996, the deployment of United States military personnel was ordered to conduct the evacuation from the Central African Republic of private United States citizens and certain United States Government employees (H. Doc. No. 104–220); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

3154. A letter from the Chairwoman, National Mediation Board, transmitting the fiscal year 1995 annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act [FMFIA] of 1982, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3155. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting the fiscal year 1995 annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act [FMFIA] of 1982, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3156. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Indiana Regulatory Program (recodification of State law) [IN-132-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3157. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Texas Regulatory Program (road systems and others) [TX-029-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3158. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Indiana Regulatory Program (remaining and others) [IN-133-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3159. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Hopi Tribe Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Plan [HO-003-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3160. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Missouri Regulatory Program (revegetation success guidelines) [MO-025-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3161. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Missouri Regulatory Program (state alternative bonding system and others) [MO-026-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pur-

suant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3162. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Oklahoma Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Plan (eligible lands and waters, and others) [OK--15-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources

3163. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Indiana Regulatory Program (subsidence control) [IN-112-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3164. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—New Mexico Regulatory Program (definitions and others) [NM-036-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3165. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Colorado Regulatory Program (definitions and others) [CO-029-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A): to the Committee on Resources.

3166. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Virginia Regulatory Program (coal waste) [VA-105] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3167. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, transmitting the Office's final rule—Illinois Regulatory Program (termination of jurisdiction and others) [IL-089-FOR] received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3168. A letter from the Director, National Legislative Commission, The American Legion, transmitting a copy of the Legion's financial statements as of December 31, 1995, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 1101(4) and 1103; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Committee on the Judiciary. 3169. A letter from the Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting notification that funding under title V of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended, may exceed \$5 million for the response to the emergency declared as a result of the extreme fire hazard in the State of Texas dating back to February 23, 1996, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5193(b)(3); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3170. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Report To Congress: Products Used For Airport Pavement Maintenance And Rehabilitation," pursuant to the Federal Aviation Administration Authorization Act of 1994; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

3171. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Veterans and Dependents Education: Miscellaneous (RIN 2900–AH60) received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

3172. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Determination of Interest Rate (Revenue Ruling 96–28) received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3173. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Definitions Relating to Corporate Reorganizations (Revenue Ruling 96-29) received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3174. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting

the Service's final rule-Distribution of Stock and Securities of a Controlled Corporation (Revenue Ruling 96-30) received May 22, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and

3175. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on allocation of funds the executive branch intends to make available from funding levels established in the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1996; jointly, to the Committees on Appropriations and International Rela-

3176. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Secretary's evaluation of the Medicare select demonstration, that is, a Medicare supplemental insurance product limited to 15 States for 3 years, effective January 1, 1992, pursuant to section 4358(d) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990; jointly, to the Committees on Commerce and Ways and Means.

3177. A letter from the Chair of the Board, Office of Compliance, transmitting notice of proposed rulemaking for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, pursuant to Public Law 104-1, section 304(b)(1) (109 Stat. 29); jointly, to the Committees on House Oversight and Economic and Educational Oppor-

3178. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Report to Congress: Changes in Physician Participation, Assignment, and Extra Billing in the Medicare Program During 1994-ACTION," pursuant to section 1848(g)(6) of the Social Security Act; jointly, to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

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:

Mrs. VUCANOVICH: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 3517. A bill making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes (Rept. 104-591). Referred to the Committee on the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. GOODLING: Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities. H.R. 2531. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to clarify the exemption for houseparents from the minimum wage and maximum hour requirements of that Act, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 104-592). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. WALKER. Committee on Science. H.R. 3060. A bill to implement the Protocol and Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty (Rept. 104-593, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. LIVINGSTON: Committee on Appropriations. Report on the Subdivision of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1997 (Rept. 104-594). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the Committees on International Relations and Resources discharged from further consideration. H.R. 3060 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL.

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speak-

H.R. 3060. Referral to the Committees on International Relations and Resources extended for a period ending not later than May 23, 1996.

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. BILBRAY:

H.R. 3518. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to permit the exclusive application of State regulations regarding reformulated gas in certain areas; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BARTON of Texas:

H.R. 3519. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. GEPHARDT (for himself, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. GEJDEN-SON, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. FAZIO of California. Mrs. KENNELLY. Mr. DINGELL, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. CLAY, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. OBERSTAR. Mr. DURBIN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. Kennedy of Massachusetts, Mr. Stark, Mr. Matsui, Mr. Coyne, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. McDermott, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. WILLIAMS, Mr. AN-DREWS, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. Murtha, Mr. Obey, Mr. Frost, Mr. Brown of California, Mr. YATES, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. STUDDS, Mr. MAR-KEY, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. VENTO, Mr. EVANS, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. TORRES, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. WISE, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. THORNTON, COSTELLO, Ms. SLAUGHTER, LOWEY, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. OLVER, Mr. FILNER, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HOLDEN, Mrs. Meek of Florida, Mr. Scott, Mr. STUPAK, Mrs. THURMAN, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. WYNN, Mr. BALDACCI, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, and Mr. SANDERS):

H.R. 3520. A bill to provide for retirement savings and security; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, and Transportation and Infrastructure, 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 Ms. BROWN of Florida:

H.R. 3521. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the requirement that amounts paid to a member of the Armed Forces under the Special Separation Benefits Program of the Department of Defense, or under the Voluntary Separation Incentive Program of that Department, to offset from amounts subsequently paid to that member by the Department of Veterans Affairs as disability compensation; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mrs. COLLINS:

H.R. 3522. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to ensure consideration of and planning for reuse or disposal of construction and demolition debris resulting from highway projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. GALLEGLY:

H.R. 3523. A bill to require the relocation of a National Weather Service radar tower which is on Sulphur Mountain near Oiai, CA: to the Committee on Science.

By Mr. GILMAN:

H.R. 3524. A bill to amend title 32, United States Code, to authorize the National Guard of a State, as part of a drug interdiction and counter-drug activities plan, to assist the Immigration and Naturalization Service in the transportation of aliens who have violated a Federal or State law prohibiting or regulating the possession, use, or distribution of a controlled substance; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. HYDE (for himself and Mr. Con-

YERS): H.R. 3525. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the Federal jurisdiction over offenses relating to damage to religious property; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota: H.R. 3526. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to transmission of wagering information; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KIM (for himself, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. HORN, Mrs. SEASTRAND, Mr. BONO, Mr. Dreier, Mr. Calvert, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Doolittle, and Mr. MOORHEAD):

H.R. 3527. A bill to provide financial assistance to Mexican border States for transportation projects that are necessary to accommodate increased traffic resulting from the implementation of the North American Free-Trade Agreement; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. LOFGREN:

H.R. 3528. A bill to require any department, agency, or instrumentally that contracts with the Federal Government to offer a health plan and pension plan; to the Committee on Government Reform and Over-

sight. H.R. 3529. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an individual who is entitled to receive child support a refundable credit equal to the amount of unpaid child support and to increase the tax liability of the individual required to pay such support by the amount of the unpaid child support; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 3530. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a deduction for legal expenses of individuals who bring sexual harassment suits against their employers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MOORHEAD:

H.R. 3531. A bill to amend title 15, United States Code, to promote investment and prevent intellectual property piracy with respect to databases; to the Committee on the Ĵudiciary.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. HOYER, Mr. WYNN, Mr. HOLDEN, and Ms. NORTON) (all by request):

H.R. 3532. A bill to provide a temporary authority for the use of voluntary separation incentives by Federal agencies that are reducing employment levels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. NADLER:

H.R. 3533. A bill to amend the Bank Protection Act of 1968 to require enhanced security measures sufficient to provide surveillance pictures which can be used effectively as evidence in criminal prosecutions, to amend title 28. United States Code, to require the Federal Bureau of Investigation to make technical recommendations with regard to such security measures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be