

(Rept. No. 105-137) on the resolution (H. Res. 169) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1119) to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

#### 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. HALL of Ohio) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BONIOR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HALL of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GEJDENSON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LEVIN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. UNDERWOOD, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WYNN, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. CARSON, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. DELAURO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ROTHMAN, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. CLAYTON, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. QUINN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. NEUMANN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KINGSTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KNOLLENBERG, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ENSIGN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HUNTER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. TIAHRT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. RIGGS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SMITH of Michigan, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. WAXMAN, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at her own request) to revise and extend her remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mrs. NORTHUP, for 5 minutes, today.

#### EXTENSION OF REMARKS

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

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

Mr. GINGRICH.

Mr. HOBSON.

Mr. QUINN.

Mr. CAMPBELL.

Mr. GILMAN.

Mr. MORAN of Kansas.

Mr. PACKARD.

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

Mr. HAMILTON.

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.

Mr. SANDERS.

Mrs. MALONEY of New York.

Mr. UNDERWOOD.

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

Mr. VENTO.

Mr. GILMAN.

Mr. MCCARTHY of Missouri.

Mr. MORAN of Virginia.

Mr. CLAY.

Mr. STOKES.

Mr. STUPAK.

Mr. WELLER.

Mr. LEWIS of California.

Mr. HALL of Ohio.

Mr. FORBES.

Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey.

Mr. KUCINICH.

Mr. POSHARD.

Mr. SOLOMON.

Mr. THOMPSON.

Mr. OLVER.

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

Mr. EWING.

Mr. VELÁZQUEZ.

Mr. BROWN of California.

#### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled a joint resolution of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.J. Res. 32. Joint resolution to consent to certain amendments enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920.

#### SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 342. An act to extend certain privileges, exemptions, and immunities to Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices.

#### JOINT RESOLUTION 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, a joint resolution of the House of the following title:

H.J. Res. 32. Joint resolution to consent to certain amendments enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 47 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned until today, Thursday, June 19, 1997, at 10 a.m.)

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from

the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

3845. A letter from the Director, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revitalizing Base Closure Communities and Community Assistance—Community Redevelopment and Homeless Assistance (RIN: 0790-AG18) received June 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

3846. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting the Office's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Miscellaneous Amendments [Defense Acquisition Circular 91-12] received June 16, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

3847. A letter from the Acting Executive Director, Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, transmitting the annual report of the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board on the Resolution Funding Corporation for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to Public Law 101-73, section 511(a) (103 Stat. 404); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

3848. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Controls and Displays (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration) [Docket No. 96-52; Notice 2] (RIN: 2127-AF86) received June 12, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3849. A letter from the Chair, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Nuclear Plant Decommissioning Trust Fund Guidelines [Docket No. RM94-14-001; Order No. 580-A] received June 13, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3850. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Navy's proposed lease of defense articles to Chile (Transmittal No. 19-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

3851. A letter from the Chairman, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting the Authority's report entitled "District of Columbia Financial Plan and Budget, Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999-2001," pursuant to Public Law 104-8, section 202(c)(6) (109 Stat. 113); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3852. A letter from the CFO and Plan Administrator, PCA Retirement Committee, First South Production Credit Association, transmitting the fiscal year 1996 annual pension plan report of the First South Production Credit Association, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9503(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3853. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the study report on the El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro to determine if it is feasible and desirable to designate it as a component of the National Trails System, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1244(b); to the Committee on Resources.

3854. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the annual report entitled "Outer Continental Shelf Lease Sales: Evaluation of Bidding Results and Competition" for fiscal year 1996, pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1337(a)(9); to the Committee on Resources.

3855. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Low-Stress

Hazardous Liquid Pipelines Serving Plants and Terminals (Research and Special Programs Administration) [Docket No. PS-117; Amdt. 195-57] (RIN: 2137-AC87) received June 12, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3856. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Motor Carrier Routing Regulations; Disposition of Loss and Damage Claims and Processing Salvage; Preservation of RECORDS (Federal Highway Administration) (RIN: 2125-AE12) received June 12, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3857. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Bureau of the Public Debt, transmitting the Bureau's final rule—Government Securities: Call for Large Position Reports [17 CFR Part 420] received June 10, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3858. A letter from the United States Trade Representative, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to extend the Generalized System of Preferences; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3859. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the Department's report on the utilization of Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences (USUHS) graduates, pursuant to Public Law 104-201 section 741(e) (110 Stat. 2600); jointly to the Committees on National Security and Commerce.

3860. A letter from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's report on the Portfolio Re-engineering Demonstration Program for Fiscal Years 1996 and 1997, pursuant to Public Law 104-134, section 210(g) (110 Stat. 1321-287); jointly to the Committees on Banking and Financial Services and Appropriations.

3861. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting a report on deliveries under Section 540 of P.L. 104-107 to the Government of Bosnia-Herzegovina, pursuant to Public Law 104-107, section 540(c) (110 Stat. 736); jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations.

3862. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to improve pension and benefit security, to provide equitable railroad retirement benefits; jointly to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Ways and Means, Government Reform and Oversight, and Transportation and Infrastructure.

3863. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to provide uniform safeguards for the confidentiality of information acquired for exclusively statistical purposes, and to improve the efficiency of Federal statistical programs and the quality of federal statistics by permitting limited sharing of records for statistical purposes under strong safeguards; jointly to the Committees on Government Reform and Oversight, Commerce, the Judiciary, Science, and Education and the Workforce.

#### 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. BURTON: Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. H.R. 1316. A bill to amend chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the order of precedence

to be applied in the payment of life insurance benefits; with an amendment (Rept. 105-134). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 858. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a pilot project on designated lands within Plumas, Lassen, and Tahoe National Forests in the State of California to demonstrate the effectiveness of the resource management activities proposed by the Quincy Library Group and to amend current land and resource management plans for these national forests to consider the incorporation of these resource management activities; with an amendment (Rept. 105-136, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

[Submitted June 19 (Legislative day of June 18), 1997]

Mr. SOLOMON: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 169. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1119) to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes (Rept. 105-137). Referred to the House Calendar.

#### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the Committee on Agriculture discharged from further consideration. H.R. 858 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

#### REPORTED BILLS SEQUENTIALLY REFERRED

Under clause 5 of rule X, bills and reports were delivered to the Clerk for printing, and bills referred as follows:

Mr. GOSS: Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. H.R. 1775. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the U.S. Government, the community management account, and the Central Intelligence Agency retirement and disability system, and for other purposes; with an amendment; referred to the Committee on National Security for a period ending not later than July 1, 1997, for consideration of such provisions of the bill and amendment as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(k), rule X. (Rept. 105-135, Pt. 1).

#### BILLS PLACED ON THE CORRECTIONS CALENDAR

Under clause 4 of rule XIII, the Speaker filed with the Clerk a notice requesting that the following bills be placed upon the Corrections Calendar:

H.R. 1316. A bill to amend chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the order of precedence to be applied in the payment of life insurance benefits.

#### TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

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

H.R. 858. Referral to the Committee on Agriculture extended for a period ending not later than June 18, 1997.

#### 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 Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD (for herself and Mrs. MYRICK):

H.R. 1950. A bill to clarify the family violence option under the temporary assistance to needy families program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. TORRES (for himself, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. LEACH, Mr. PAUL, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. VALÁZQUEZ, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. NADLER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. BOUCHER, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. FAZIO of California, Mr. HALL of Ohio, and Ms. LOFGREN):

H.R. 1951. A bill to make an exception to the United States embargo on trade with Cuba for the export of food, medicines, medical supplies, medical instruments, or medical equipment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions of fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CANNON:

H.R. 1952. A bill to designate certain Bureau of Land Management lands in the State of Utah as wilderness, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. GEKAS:

H.R. 1953. A bill to clarify State authority to tax compensation paid to certain employees; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JENKINS:

H.R. 1954. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain high tenacity single yarn of viscose rayon; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KNOLLENBERG (for himself, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. HAYWORTH, and Mr. UPTON):

H.R. 1955. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that a person who is sentenced to life in prison or death pursuant to Federal law forfeits all veterans' gratuitous benefits; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SABO:

H.R. 1956. A bill to amend sections 226 and 226A of the Social Security Act to provide for entitlement to Medicare benefits of any divorced individual who otherwise would be so entitled on the basis of the entitlement to wife's, husband's, widow's, or widower's insurance benefits but for the failure to meet the 10-year marriage requirement, if such individual has been married to any 2 fully insured individuals for a total period of 10 years; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. TIAHRT (for himself and Ms. PRYCE of Ohio):

H.R. 1957. A bill to amend the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 to exempt voluntary child custody proceedings from coverage under that act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. WHITFIELD:

H.R. 1958. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the act of March 16, 1950, and the Federal Trade Commission Act to end the regulation of margarine; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. DEUTSCH (for himself and Mr. CHABOT):

H. Con. Res. 100. Concurrent resolution relating to the future status of Taiwan after Hong Kong's transfer to the People's Republic of China on July 1, 1997; to the Committee on International Relations.