

1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1726. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Dependency and Income [38 CFR Part 3] (RIN: 2900-AI47) received February 5, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

1727. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Spouse and Surviving Spouse [38 CFR Part 3] (RIN: 2900-AI36) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

1728. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Deposits of Excise Taxes [Notice 97-151] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1729. A letter from the Director, Congressional Budget Office, transmitting the CBO's sequestration preview report for fiscal year 1998, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388-587); jointly, to the Committees on Appropriations and the Budget.

1730. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting notification that the Department of Health and Human Services is allotting emergency funds made available under section 2606(e) of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 to all States, tribes, and territories, pursuant to section 2604(g) of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981; jointly, to the Committees on Commerce and Education and the Workforce.

1731. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting a report on deliveries under section 540 of Public Law 104-107 to the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina, pursuant to Public Law 104-107, section 540(c) (110 Stat. 736); jointly, to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations.

#### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to section 518A(e)(5)(A) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1997, as contained in section 101(c) of the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act, 1997:

H.J. Res. 36. Approving the Presidential finding that the limitation on obligations imposed by section 518A(a) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1997, is having a negative impact on the proper functioning of the population planning program.

Committee on Appropriations 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. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado:

H.R. 655. A bill to give all American electricity consumers the right to choose among competitive providers of electricity, in order to secure lower electricity rates, higher quality services, and a more robust U.S. economy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BACHUS (for himself, Mr. YOUNG, of Alaska, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. RILEY, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. MICA, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. MCCOLLUM, and Mr. LATOURETTE):

H.R. 656. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that distributions from qualified State tuition programs which are used to pay educational expenses shall not be includible in gross income and to include as such expenses the cost of room and board; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BALDACCI:

H.R. 657. A bill to establish a National Center for Rural Law Enforcement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 658. A bill to provide for the conveyance to the city of Bangor, ME, of unused military family housing located in the city; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. BURR of North Carolina (for himself, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. BACHUS, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. FROST, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. EWING, Mr. COBURN and Mr. BARTON of Texas):

H.R. 659. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 to clarify the listing of a unique chemical substance; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on 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 Mr. CANADY of Florida:

H.R. 660. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to allow an interlocutory appeal from a court order determining whether an action may be maintained as a class action; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GALLEGLY:

H.R. 661. A bill to make a technical correction to section 214(h) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1980; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mrs. MEEK of Florida:

H.R. 662. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act relating to fulfillment by elderly persons of the requirements for naturalization; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 663. A bill to amend the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to provide for an exception to limited eligibility for the supplemental security income program for permanent resident aliens; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SHAYS (for himself, Mrs. KENNEDY of Connecticut, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut):

H.R. 664. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, relating to the installation of emergency locator transmitters on aircraft; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SOLOMON:

H.R. 665. A bill to provide for the award of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal to members of the Armed Forces who participate in Operation Joint Endeavor or Operation Joint Guard in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mrs. CHRISTIAN-GREEN:

H.J. Res. 46. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United

States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GEPHARDT (for himself, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. CAPPS, and Mr. GORDON):

H.J. Res. 47. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit campaign spending; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GALLEGLY (for himself, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. HAMILTON, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BALLENGER, and Mr. HOUGHTON):

H. Con. Res. 17. Concurrent resolution congratulating the people of Guatemala on the success of the recent negotiations to establish a process for Guatemala; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. UNDERWOOD:

H. Res. 44. Resolution designating minority membership on certain standing committees of the House; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HALL of Ohio (for himself, Mr. WOLF, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mrs. MORELLA, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. LANTOS, and Mr. PORTER):

H. Res. 45. Resolution to honor 1996 Nobel Peace Prize recipients Bishop Carlos Felipe Ximenes Belo and Jose Ramos-Horta, and to express support for the process of building a just and lasting peace in East Timor; to the Committee on International Relations.

#### MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

16. By the SPEAKER: Memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Iowa, relative to House Concurrent Resolution 4: requesting the Congress of the United States to submit to the States for ratification a balanced budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

17. Also, memorial of the Senate of the State of New Jersey, relative to Senate Resolution No. 72: urging the President and the Congress of the United States to reauthorize the Federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, and to insure that the respective Federal funding amounts for highway and mass transportation are not reduced below current levels; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

#### ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 1: Mr. KLUG, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. EHRLICH, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. COBLE, Mr. HANSEN, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. DELAY, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. BOB SCHAEFER, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. DREIER, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, and Mr. SNOWBARGER.

H.R. 40: Mr. FORD, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, and Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 55: Mr. KING of New York, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. WALSH.

H.R. 58: Ms. STABENOW, Mr. COBURN, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. BAESLER, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. DIXON, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. HINCHEY, and Mr. FROST.

H.R. 96: Mr. ENSIGN.

H.R. 113: Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, and Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.

H.R. 292: Mr. STEARNS and Mr. OXLEY.

H.R. 367: Mr. LEACH, Mr. FROST, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. POSHARD, Ms. NORTON, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. STEARNS, and Mr. PACKARD.

H.R. 426: Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. PICKETT, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, and Mr. WOLF.

H.R. 471: Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. HORN, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. PITTS, Mr. WELDON of Florida, and Mr. SENSENBRENNER.

H.R. 475: Mr. STEARNS and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 498: Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. PETRI.

H.R. 500: Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. HORN, and Mr. SHERMAN.

H.R. 600: Mr. STARK, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 604: Mr. CANNON.

H.R. 625: Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

H.R. 635: Mr. POSHARD, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Mr. EVANS.

H.R. 647: Mr. PORTER.

H.J. Res. 1: Ms. DUNN of Washington.

H.J. Res. 27: Mr. SMITH of Michigan.

H. Con. Res. 13: Mrs. LOWEY and Mr. FARR of California.