

22775, IS-1095; File No. S7-7-96] (RIN: 3235-AC61) received August 1, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4525. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting a copy of Transmittal No. 09-97 for a co-operative agreement with Italy and Germany to upgrade the HARM missile, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

4526. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Iranian Transactions Regulations: Performance on Awards; Certain Legal Services [31 CFR Part 560] received July 30, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

4527. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Blocked Persons, Specially Designated Nationals, Specially Designated Terrorists, Specially Designated Narcotics Traffickers, and Blocked Vessels: Additional Designations and Removal of Two Individuals [31 CFR Chapter V] received July 30, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

4528. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule—Schedule of Fees for Consular services, Department of State and overseas embassies and consulates, Diversity Visa Lottery Fee (Bureau of Consular Affairs) [22 CFR Part 22] received July 28, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

4529. A letter from the Employee Benefits Manager, AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, transmitting the annual report of the Independent Associations' Retirement Plan for the plan year January 1, 1996 through December 31, 1996, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9503(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

4530. A letter from the Acting Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting a report on General Accounting Office employees detailed to Congressional committees as of July 18, 1997, pursuant to Public Law 101—520; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

4531. A letter from the Director, Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting the third annual report on the Federal-CNMI Initiative on Labor, Immigration, and Law Enforcement in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; to the Committee on Resources.

4532. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Designation of Payor RECORDkeeping (Minerals Management Service) (RIN: 1010-AC38) received August 1, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4533. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; "Other Rockfish" Species Group in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 961126334-7052-02; I.D. 072397C] received July 30, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4534. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; "Other Rockfish" Species Group

in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 961126334-7052-02; I.D. 072397A] received July 30, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4535. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Species in the Rock Sole/Flathead Sole/"Other Flatfish" Fishery Category by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands [Docket No. 961107312-7012-02; I.D. 072597A] received July 30, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4536. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Privacy Protection Act of 1980; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4537. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Classified National Security Information and Access to Classified Information [A.G. Order No. 2091-97] received July 22, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4538. A letter from the Administrator, Farm Service Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Handling Payments from the Farm Service Agency (FSA) to Delinquent FSA Farm Loan Program Borrowers (RIN: 0560-AE93) received July 31, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4539. A letter from the Chairman, International Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Debt Collection—Procedural Rules for Salary Offset, Administrative Offset, and Tax Refund Offset [19 CFR Part 201] received July 18, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4540. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Liquefied Natural Gas Regulations—Miscellaneous Amendments (Research and Special Programs Administration) [Docket No. PS-151; Amdt. 193-14] (RIN: 2137-AC88) received July 31, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4541. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Determination of Situations that Demonstrate a Substantial Connection Between Battery or Extreme Cruelty and Need for Specific Public Benefits [AG Order No. xx-97] received July 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4542. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Changes in accounting periods and in methods of accounting [Rev. Proc. 97-38] received July 31, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4543. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Changes in accounting periods and in methods of accounting [Rev. Proc. 97-39] received July 31, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4544. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Changes in accounting periods and in methods of accounting [Rev. Proc. 97-35] received July 31, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4545. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting

the Service's final rule—Changes in accounting periods and in methods of accounting [Rev. Proc. 97-36] received July 31, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4546. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Changes in accounting periods and in methods of accounting [Rev. Proc. 97-37] received July 31, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4547. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Examination of returns and claims for refund, credit or abatement; determination of correct tax liability [Rev. Proc. 97-40] received July 30, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4548. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the incentives and personnel actions available to the Department of Defense for encouraging excellence in the management of defense acquisition programs, pursuant to Public Law 103—355; jointly to the Committees on National Security and Government Reform and Oversight.

4549. A letter from the Administrator, Small Business Administration, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to implement the President's FY 1998 Budget to shift a greater portion of the administrative costs of SBA programs from the general taxpayer to program beneficiaries; jointly to the Committees on Small Business and Science.

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:

[The following report was filed on July 30 (Legislative day of July 29), 1997]

Mr. KASICH: Committee of Conference. Conference report on H.R. 2015. A bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to subsections (b)(1) and (c) of section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998 (Rept. 105-217). Ordered to be printed.

[Submitted August 1, 1997]

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 2207. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act concerning a proposal to construct a deep ocean outfall off the coast of Mayaguez, PR; with an amendment (Rept. 105-237). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on Science. H.R. 2249. A bill to authorize appropriations for carrying out the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977 for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes (Rept. 105-238, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on Science. H.R. 922. A bill to prohibit the expenditure of Federal funds to conduct or support research on the cloning of humans; with an amendment (Rept. 105-239, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

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

[The following action occurred on July 30, 1997]

H.R. 695. Referral to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select) extended for a period ending not later than September 12, 1997.

[The following action occurred on July 31, 1997]

H.R. 695. Referral to the Committee on National Security extended for a period ending not later than September 12, 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 Mr. GINGRICH (for himself, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. DELAY, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. ARCHER, Mr. THOMAS, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. LINDER, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. TALENT, Mr. NUSSLE, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. CRANE, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. HERGER, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. WELLER, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. RIGGS, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. PARKER, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. COBURN, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. RILEY, Mr. SNOWBARGER, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. NEUMANN, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. HILL, Mr. PITTS, Mr. RYUN, Mr. ROGAN, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. POMBO, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. SHAYS, and Mr. PAPPAS):

H.R. 2373. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxfree expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. LOWEY (for herself, Ms. DELAULO, and Mr. SHAYS):

H.R. 2374. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to provide special funding to States for implementation of national estuary conservation and management plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. RANGEL:

H.R. 2375. A bill to designate the headquarters building of the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, DC, as the Robert C. Weaver Federal Building; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SAXTON (for himself and Mr. ABERCROMBIE):

H.R. 2376. A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. SMITH of Oregon (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. POMBO, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. GALLEGLY,

Mr. DREIER, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. PAXON, Mr. PARKER, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. BONO, and Mr. COMBEST):

H.R. 2377. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to establish a 24-month pilot program permitting certain aliens to be admitted into the United States to provide temporary or seasonal agricultural services pursuant to a labor condition attestation; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and, in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, Ways and Means, and Commerce, 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 Mrs. TAUSCHER (for herself, Mr. FROST, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. SNYDER, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. SISISKY, Ms. FURSE, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. DELAULO, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. BARTON of Texas, and Mr. LIPINSKI):

H. Con. Res. 141. Concurrent resolution to commend the bravery and honor of the citizens of Remy, France, for their actions with respect to Lt. Houston Braly and to recognize the efforts of the 364th Fighter Group to raise funds to restore the stained glass windows of a church in Remy; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. PEASE:

H. Res. 213. Resolution designating majority membership on certain standing committees of the House; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GOODLING (for himself, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. PETRI, Mr. OWENS, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. PAUL, Mr. BOB SCHAFER, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. GOODE, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. KINGSTON, and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

H. Res. 214. Resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Department of Education should suspend any and all planning, development, implementation, or administration of any national testing proposal in reading, mathematics, or any other subject area until Congress provides specific, explicit statutory authority; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. RANGEL:

H. Res. 215. Resolution recognizing the successful struggle of the people of Jamaica for their nation's independence; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. RANGEL:

H. Res. 216. Resolution expressing the sense of Congress with respect to Marcus Garvey; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEMORIALS

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

174. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 158 memorializing the Congress of the United States to approve the settlement agreement

reached with the tobacco industry by the attorney generals of the various states and authorizes the United States Food and Drug Administration to adopt regulations to protect our children from tobacco marketing and access; to the Committee on Commerce.

175. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 89 memorializing Congress to request the Environmental Protection Agency to grant an exemption relative to the painting of the Crescent City Connection which would limit the requirements for the removal and capture of residue from previous paint coatings during the painting procedure; to the Committee on Commerce.

176. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of California, relative to Assembly Joint Resolution No. 24 recognizing the significance of African-American and other black music to global culture, and the positive impact of this art form on global commerce, would designate the month of June as Black Music Month throughout the State of California, and would call upon the people of the state to study, reflect on, and celebrate the majesty, vitality, and importance of African-American and other black music; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

177. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 25 memorializing the Congress of the United States to adopt an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide each citizen with a constitutional right to a clean and healthful environment and protection of our other natural resources; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

178. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 77 memorializing the Congress of the United States to revise the federal highway funding formulas to ensure that Louisiana gets its fair share of federal highway funds; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

179. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 35 memorializing the United States Congress to amend federal statutes 46 U.S.C. 11108 and 11109, otherwise known as Seaman Protection and Relief Act, to remove the prohibition against states from withholding income tax from wages due or accruing to a master or seaman and the attachment of wages for tax payments; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

180. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 98 memorializing the Congress of the United States to examine formulas and to consider using risk factors in determining how to distribute section 130 highway dollars to the states for rail safety purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

181. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of New Hampshire, relative to House Joint Resolution 2 urging the members of Congress to support and pass the Family Forestland Preservation Tax Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

182. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 21 memorializing the Congress of the United States to enact legislation allowing the employees of the Lafourche Basin Levee District to opt-out of the Social Security System and to join the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System, effective January 1, 1998; to the Committee on Ways and Means.