

Then we permit the agencies to become the Justice Department as well. They can be judge and jury. They do not go into civil court, they go into the administrative courts. This is part of our problem. Not only do we give them the power of the administration, we give them the power of the judiciary. We give these agencies the police powers as well. So we have created a dictatorship within our system when we create these agencies of Government.

All rules, all agency regulations, should be approved by the U.S. Congress, and we should do something to curtail the power and the authority of these agencies through limiting of their funds.

It is not difficult, Mr. Speaker, on what to do. The answers are written very clearly in the document we have sworn to uphold. If we read and obey the Constitution, the solutions will come to us. We must work for a moral and just society. We must reject the notion of violence. We should never condone the idea that the Government is there to force people to act in certain manners. And if we do this, I am totally convinced that we will have a much freer and more prosperous society.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. McNULTY (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of personal business.

Mr. STRICKLAND (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of official business.

Ms. KILPATRICK (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of official business.

Ms. STABENOW (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of official business.

Mrs. MALONEY of New York (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of attending the funeral of the former Speaker of the New York State Assembly, Stanley Fink.

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. FILNER) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. FILNER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SKAGGS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WISE, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. COOK, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PITTS, for 5 minutes, on March 12.

Mr. SHIMKUS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HUTCHINSON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. RYUN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PETERSON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HULSHOF, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. THUNE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CANNON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MICA, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BOB SCHAFFER of Colorado, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ROHRBACHER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WELDON of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at the request of Mr. DAVIS of Illinois) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. ETHERIDGE, 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. FILNER) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. LANTOS.

Mr. GORDON.

Mr. MENENDEZ.

Mr. HILLIARD.

Mr. DEUTSCH.

Mr. MARKEY.

Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri.

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

Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska.

Mr. BARR in two instances.

Mr. MCCOLLUM.

Mr. NETHERCUTT.

Mr. WELLER.

Mr. RADANOVICH.

Mr. JONES.

Mr. RAMSTAD.

Mr. CALLAHAN.

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

Mr. JONES.

Mr. SUNUNU.

Mr. MORAN of Kansas.

Mr. SMITH of Michigan.

Mr. BERMAN.

Mr. OBERSTAR.

Mr. WAXMAN.

Mr. SERRANO.

Mr. GILMAN.

Ms. DELAURO.

Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut.

Mr. SOLOMON.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 3 o'clock and 21 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, March 10, 1997, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

2113. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Brucellosis in Cattle; State and Area Classifications; Tennessee [Docket No. 97-009-1] received March 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2114. A letter from the Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Poultry Inspection: Revision of Finished Product Standards With Respect to Fecal Contamination [Docket No. 94-016F] (RIN: 0583-AC25) received March 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2115. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act—Air Force violation, case No. 95-14, which totaled \$958,239, occurred when personnel obligated fiscal year 1993 operation and maintenance, Air Force (O&M, AF) funds for work that was not needed until fiscal year 1994, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

2116. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Veterans Education: Increased Allowances for the Educational Assistance Test Program (RIN: 2900-A153) received March 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

2117. A letter from the Managing Director, Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting the Board's final rule—Restrictions on Advances to Non-Qualified Thrift Lenders [No. 97-12] received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2118. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans: Oregon Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes: Oregon [OR64-7279a, OR36-1-6298a, OR46-1-6802a; FRL-5696-8] received March 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2119. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans: Oregon [OR59-7274, OR60-7275; FRL-5696-6] received March 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2120. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Approval of Source-Specific RACT [PA069-4040, PA078-4041, PA083-4043; FRL-5698-7] received March 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2121. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Arizona State Implementation Plan Revision, Maricopa County Environmental Services Department [AR 059-0005a; FRL-5697-3] received March 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2122. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Brunei (Transmittal No. DTC-46-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

2123. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Taiwan (Transmittal No. DTC-51-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

2124. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for production of major military equipment with the United Arab Emirates [UAE] (Transmittal No. DTC-14-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

2125. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a report on international agreements transmitted to Congress after the deadline for their submission, with reasons, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

2126. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Secretary's certification that the Republic of Armenia, the Azerbaijani Republic, the Republic of Georgia, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and the Republic of Uzbekistan are committed to the courses of action described in section 1203(d) of the Cooperative Threat Reduction Act of 1993 (title XII of Public Law 103-160), section 1412(d) of the Former Soviet Union Demilitarization Act of 1992 (title XIV of Public Law 102-484), and section 502 of the FREEDOM Support Act (Public Law 102-511); to the Committee on International Relations.

2127. A letter from the Executive Director, Assassination Records Review Board, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2128. A letter from the Assistant Secretary (Management) and Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2129. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2130. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2131. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2132. A letter from the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2133. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2134. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's report

on nuclear reactor safety in Ukraine and Russia; jointly, to the Committees on National Security and International Relations.

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. TALENT: Committee on Small Business. H.R. 852. A bill to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, popularly known as the Paperwork Reduction Act, to minimize the burden of Federal paperwork demands upon small businesses, educational and nonprofit institutions, Federal contractors, State and local governments, and other persons through the sponsorship and use of alternative information technologies (Rept. 105-7, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

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 (for himself, Mr. HORN, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. WYNN, and Mr. TRAFICANT):

H.R. 963. A bill to prohibit employment discrimination on any basis other than factors pertaining to job performance; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Government Reform and Oversight, and House Oversight, 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. BURR of North Carolina:

H.R. 964. A bill to authorize the marketing of breast self-examination pads without restriction; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. DOOLITTLE (for himself, Mr. DELAY, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. BALLENGER, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. MCINNIS, Mr. HUNTER, and Mr. ROHRBACHER):

H.R. 965. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for election for Federal office; to the Committee on House Oversight, 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 as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. COMBEST (for himself and Mr. HILLIARD):

H.R. 966. A bill to provide reimbursement under the Medicare Program for telehealth services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, 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 as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. GILMAN (for himself, Mr. HYDE, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. COX of California, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. PAYNE, and Mr. LANTOS):

H.R. 967. A bill to prohibit the use of United States funds to provide for the participation of certain Chinese officials in inter-

national conferences, programs, and activities and to provide that certain Chinese officials shall be ineligible to receive visas and be excluded from admission to the United States; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. EHRlich (for himself, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, and Mr. MINGE):

H.R. 968. A bill to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to permit a waiver of the prohibition of offering nurse aide training and competency evaluation programs in certain nursing facilities; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on 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 Mr. FILNER:

H.R. 969. A bill to establish sources of funding for the certain transportation infrastructure projects in the vicinity of the border between the United States and Mexico that are necessary to accommodate increased traffic resulting from the implementation of the North American Free-Trade Agreement, including construction of new Federal border crossing facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. BARTON of Texas (for himself, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. WISE, Mr. REGULA, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. BONO, Mr. GINGRICH, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. TAUZIN, and Mr. SESSIONS):

H.R. 970. A bill to encourage the increased use of domestic natural gas as a transportation fuel, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, National Security, Ways and Means, and Government Reform and Oversight, 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. BASS (for himself, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. GILMAN, Mrs. KELLY, Ms. MOLINARI, Mr. QUINN, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. BALDACCIO, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. OLVER, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. LAZIO of New York):

H.R. 971. A bill to implement the recommendations of the Northern Forest Lands Council; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CHABOT (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. KIND of Wisconsin, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. OWENS, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. OLVER, Mr. FOLLIETTA, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. NADLER, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. RAMSTAD, Ms. RIVERS, and Mr. WYNN):

H.R. 972. A bill to amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to eliminate the market access program; to the Committee on Agriculture.