

The modification makes the provision effective government wide.

SECTION 641. The conferees agree to include a provision as proposed by the Senate which amends Title 31 relating to gold clauses.

The conferees do not agree to a Senate provision relating to Judicial Salaries.

The conferees do not agree to a Senate provision relating to cost-of-living adjustments for Members of Congress.

SECTION 642. The conferees agree to include a provision on the Federal Employees' Retirement System.

#### CONFERENCE TOTAL—WITH COMPARISONS

The total new budget (obligational) authority for the fiscal year 1998 recommended by the Committee of Conference, with comparisons to the fiscal year 1997 amount, the 1998 budget estimates, and the House and Senate bills for 1998 follows:

New budget (obligational) authority, fiscal year 1997 .....	\$24,101,623,000
Budget estimates of new (obligational) authority, fiscal year 1998 .....	25,774,854,000
House bill, fiscal year 1998 .....	25,155,789,000
Senate bill, fiscal year 1998 .....	25,206,539,000
Conference agreement, fiscal year 1998 .....	25,325,767,500
Conference agreement compared with:	
New budget (obligational) authority, fiscal year 1997 .....	+1,224,144,500
Budget estimates of new (obligational) authority, fiscal year 1998 .....	-449,086,500
House bill, fiscal year 1998 .....	+169,978,500
Senate bill, fiscal year 1998 .....	+119,228,500

For consideration of the House bill, and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

JIM KOLBE,  
FRANK R. WOLF,  
BOB LIVINGSTON,  
STENY H. HOYER,  
DAVID OBEY,

*Managers of the Part of the House.*

BEN NIGHTHORSE  
CAMPBELL,  
RICHARD SHELBY,  
TED STEVENS,  
HERB KOHL,  
BARBARA A. MIKULSKI,  
ROBERT C. BYRD,

*Managers on the Part of the Senate.*

As additional conferees solely for consideration of Titles I through IV of the House bill, and Titles I through IV of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

ERNEST ISTOOK,  
ANNE M. NORTUP,  
CARRIE P. MEEK,

*Managers of the Part of the House.*

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. HEFNER (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of illness in the family.

Mr. UNDERWOOD (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today through Wednesday, October 1, on account of official business.

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

Ms. HARMAN (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of

traveling en route to Washington from official business in the district.

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

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

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

Mr. SNYDER, for 5 minutes, today.  
Mr. DOGGETT, for 5 minutes, today.  
Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.  
Mr. FARR of California, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. CHAMBLISS, for 5 minutes, today.  
Mr. KINGSTON, for 5 minutes, today.  
Mr. HUTCHINSON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HULSHOF, for 5 minutes, on October 1.

Mr. NORWOOD, for 5 minutes each day, on today, September 30, and October 1.  
Mr. BILBRAY, for 5 minutes, today.  
Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes, today.  
Mr. METCALF, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, 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. McNULTY) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. NADLER.  
Mr. POSHARD.  
Mr. KANJORSKI.  
Mr. FROST.  
Mrs. MEEK of Florida.  
Mr. LAFALCE.  
Mr. STARK.  
Mr. LANTOS.  
Mr. KIND.

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

Mr. SAXTON.  
Mr. FORBES.

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

Ms. PELOSI.  
Mrs. TAUSCHER.  
Mr. KLINK.  
Mr. ABERCROMBIE.  
Mr. BARR of Georgia.  
Mr. KUCINICH.  
Mr. PACKARD.

Mr. WEYGAND.  
Mr. PAYNE.

#### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

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

H.R. 1420. An act to amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to improve the management of the National Wildlife Refuge System, and for other purposes.

#### SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

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

S. 871. An act to establish the Oklahoma City National Memorial as a unit of the National Park System; to designate the Oklahoma City Memorial Trust, and for other purposes.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 52 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, September 30, 1997, at 9 a.m.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

5215. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Nectarines and Peaches Grown in California; Revision of Handling Requirements for Fresh Nectarines and Peaches [Docket No. FV96-916-3 FIR] received September 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5216. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Milk in the New Mexico-West Texas Marketing Area; Suspension of Certain Provisions of the Order [DA-97-07] received September 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5217. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Irish Potatoes Grown in Colorado; Change in Handling Regulation for Area No. 2 [Docket No. FV97-948-1 IFR] received September 26, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5218. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Raisins Produced From Grapes Grown in California; Suspension of Provisions Concerning Certain Offers of Reserve Raisins to Handlers for Free Use [Docket No. FV-97-989-2 FR] received September 26, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5219. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting

the Service's final rule—Specialty Crops; Import Regulations; Extension of Reporting Period for Peanuts Imported Under 1997 Import Quotas [Docket No. FV97-999-1 IFR] received September 26, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5220. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Almonds Grown in California; Revision to Requirements Regarding Inedible Almonds [Docket No. FV97-981-3 FIR] received September 26, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5221. A letter from the Administrator, Farm Service Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Tree Assistance Program [Workplan No. 97-011] (RIN: 0560-AF17) received September 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5222. A letter from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Department of the Air Force, transmitting notification that the Commander of Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, has conducted a cost comparison to reduce the cost of Kennel Management, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 nt.; to the Committee on National Security.

5223. A letter from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Department of the Air Force, transmitting notification that the Commander in Chief of United States Strategic Command is initiating a cost comparison of non-military essential computer systems support functions impacting a total of 352 employees, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 nt.; to the Committee on National Security.

5224. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary (Acquisition and Technology), Department of Defense, transmitting the report to Congress for Department of Defense purchases from foreign entities in fiscal year 1996, pursuant to Public Law 104-201, section 827 (110 Stat. 2611); to the Committee on National Security.

5225. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary (Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence), Department of Defense, transmitting a report on support services other than telecommunications support services provided to the White House by the Department of Defense through the White House Communications Agency for the 3rd quarter of FY 1997, pursuant to Public Law 104-201, section 912; to the Committee on National Security.

5226. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Reserve Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter advising that the report on reserve retirement initiatives will be submitted on or about November 28, 1997, pursuant to Public Law 104-201, section 531; to the Committee on National Security.

5227. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on Modification of Requirement for Conversion of Military Positions to Civilian Positions; to the Committee on National Security.

5228. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting the annual report on the operations of the Exchange Stabilization Fund (ESF) for fiscal year 1996, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5302(c)(2); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

5229. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, Federal Register Certifying Officer, Financial Management Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Depositories and Financial Agents of the Federal Government (RIN: 1510-AA42) received August 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

5230. A letter from the Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, transmitting the Administration's "Major" final rule—Medicaid Program; Coverage of

Personal Care Services [MB-071-F] (RIN: 0938-AH00) received September 17, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

5231. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Enforcement Guidance Memorandum [EGM 97-015] received September 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

5232. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's Combined Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh Quarterly Report to Congress on the status of Exxon and Stripper Well Oil Overcharge Funds as of December 31, 1996; to the Committee on Commerce.

5233. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Registration under the Securities Act of 1933 of Certain Investment Company Securities [Release Nos. 33-7448, IC-22815; File No. S7-19-97] (RIN: 3235-AG73) received September 10, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

5234. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Rule Amendments Relating to Multiple Class and Series Investment Companies [Release No. IC-22835; File No. S7-24-96] (RIN: 3235-AG72) received September 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

5235. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on the progress made toward opening the United States Embassy in Jerusalem, pursuant to Public Law 104-45, section 6 (109 Stat. 400); to the Committee on International Relations.

5236. 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 September 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

5237. A letter from the Deputy Director, Russia-NIS Program Office, International Trade Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Cooperative Agreement Program for American Business Centers in Russia and the New Independent States [Docket No. 970910230-7230-01] received September 17, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

5238. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-106, "Arts and Humanities Enterprise Fund Establishment Amendment Act of 1997" received September 26, 1997, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5239. A letter from the Mayor, The District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-147, "Amended Fiscal Year 1998 Consensus Budget Request Act of 1997" received September 11, 1997, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5240. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Additions to and Deletions from the Procurement List [97-017] received September 26, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5241. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards, Department of

Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule—Government Contractors, Affirmative Action Requirements, Executive Order 11246 (RIN: 1215-AA01) received August 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5242. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Federal Acquisition Regulation; Part 15 Rewrite; Contracting by Negotiation and Competitive Range Determination (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) [FAC 97-02; FAR Case 95-029] (RIN: 9000-AH21) received September 24, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5243. A letter from the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting the Board's report entitled "Achieving a Representative Federal Workforce: Addressing the Barriers to Hispanic Participation," pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1204(a)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5244. A letter from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting the Board's strategic plan, including mission and vision statement, goals, and an annual performance plan, pursuant to Public Law 103-62; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5245. A letter from the Deputy Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's final rule—Removal of Superseded References to the Former Honorarium Ban, Revisions to Conform with Procurement Integrity Changes and Conflict-of-Interest Exemptions, and Other Updates (RINs: 3209-AA00 and 3209-AA04) received September 12, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5246. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule—Retirement, Health, and Life Insurance Coverage for Certain Employees of the District of Columbia Under the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 (RIN: 3206-AI02) received September 26, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

5247. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the annual report on royalty management and collection activities for Federal and Indian mineral leases in FY 1996, pursuant to 30 U.S.C. 237; to the Committee on Resources.

5248. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmstead National Historic Site, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by modifying the boundary; to the Committee on Resources.

5249. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Act which established the Richmond National Battlefield Park, in the Commonwealth of Virginia, by modifying the boundary; to the Committee on Resources.

5250. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule—Migratory Bird Hunting; Late Seasons and Bag and Possession Limits for Certain Migratory Game Birds (RIN: 1018-AE14) received September 26, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

5251. 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; Shortraker/Rougheye Rockfish in the Eastern Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 961126334-7052-02; I.D. 092297D] received September 26, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

5252. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to establish a uniform, workable administrative process by which those States and local governments that claim R.S. 2477 rights-of-way across Federal land can have the appropriate Federal land manager make binding determinations of their existence and validity; to the Committee on Resources.

5253. A letter from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the report on Loan Portfolio Valuation, pursuant to Public Law 104-134, section 31001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

5254. A letter from the Executive Secretary, Inland Waterways Users Board, transmitting the Board's eleventh annual report of its activities; recommendations regarding construction, rehabilitation priorities and spending levels on the commercial navigational features and components of inland waterways and harbors, pursuant to Public Law 99-662, section 302(b) (100 Stat. 4111); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5255. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), Department of the Army, transmitting a report entitled "Columbia River Treaty Fishing Access Sites," pursuant to Public Law 104-303, section 512; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5256. A letter from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting the report on continuing disability reviews for the fiscal year 1996, pursuant to Public Law 104-121, section 103(d)(2) (110 Stat. 850); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5257. A letter from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting the report on options for enhancing the Social Security card, pursuant to Public Law 104-208, section 657; Public Law 104-93, section 111; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and the Judiciary.

#### 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. BLILEY: Committee on Commerce. H.R. 695. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to affirm the rights of U.S. persons to use and sell encryption and to relax export controls on encryption; with an amendment (Rept. 105-108, Pt. 5). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 512. A bill to prohibit the expenditure of funds from the land and water conservation fund for the creation of new National Wildlife Refuges without specific authorization from Congress pursuant to a recommendation from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to create the refuge (Rept. 105-276). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 2223. A bill to assist in the conservation of coral reefs; with an amendment

(Rept. 105-277). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 1476. A bill to settle certain Miccosukee Indian land takings claims within the State of Florida (Rept. 105-278). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 2007. A bill to amend the act that authorized the Canadian River reclamation project, TX, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow use of the project distribution system to transport water from sources other than the project; with an amendment (Rept. 105-279). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SOLOMON: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 253. Resolution providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 244) demanding that the Office of the U.S. attorney for the Central District of California file criminal charges against Hermandad Mexicana Nacional for failure to comply with a valid subpoena under the Federal Contested Elections Act (Rept. 105-280). Referred to the House Calendar.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 254. Resolution waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2203) making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes (Rept. 105-281). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. DREIER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 255. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1370) to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States (Rept. 105-282). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. MCINNIS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 256. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1127) to amend the Antiquities Act to require an Act of Congress and the concurrence of the Governor and State legislature for the establishment by the President of national monuments in excess of 5,000 acres (Rept. 105-283). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. KOLBE: Committee of Conference. Conference report on H.R. 2378. A bill making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the U.S. Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain independent agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes (Rept. 105-284). 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 Mrs. FOWLER (for herself, Mr. COX of California, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. SOLOMON, and Mr. SPENCE):

H.R. 2570. A bill to condemn those officials of the Chinese Communist Party, the Government of the People's Republic of China, and other persons who are involved in the enforcement of forced abortions by preventing such persons from entering or remaining in the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. STUMP (for himself, Mr. EVANS, Mr. STEARNS, and Mr. GUTIERREZ):

H.R. 2571. A bill to authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facil-

ity leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1998, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. EVANS (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, and Mr. FILNER):

H.R. 2572. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require that in the case of past-due benefits awarded an individual pursuant to a proceeding before the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the payment of attorneys fees with respect to such award may not exceed 20 percent of the award; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. HAYWORTH:

H.R. 2573. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require that a majority of the funds raised by a candidate for election to the Senate or the House of Representatives come from individuals residing in the State the candidate seeks to represent, to require labor organizations to provide their members with information on the use of member dues for political purposes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Oversight.

By Mr. POMEROY:

H.R. 2574. A bill to consolidate certain mineral interests in the National Grasslands in Billings County, ND, through the exchange of Federal and private mineral interests to enhance land management capabilities and environmental and wildlife protection, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. PORTER:

H.R. 2575. A bill to suspend the duty on the 2,6-Dimethyl-m-Dioxan-4-ol Acetate until January 1, 2001; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PORTER:

H.R. 2576. A bill to suspend the duty on B-Bromo-B-nitrostyrene until January 1, 2001; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. THURMAN:

H.R. 2577. A bill to exempt certain individuals who were 65 years of age or older as of the date of the enactment of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 from changes made by the act in the Medicare secondary payer rules for individuals with end stage renal disease; 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. ARMEY:

H. Res. 249. Resolution designating majority membership on certain standing committees of the House; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FAZIO of California:

H. Res. 250. Resolution designating minority membership on certain standing committees of the House; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FARR of California (for himself, Mr. PORTER, Mr. GEJDENSON, and Mr. GILCHREST):

H. Res. 251. Resolution expressing support for the goals of America Recycles Day; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. ROHRABACHER (for himself, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. COX of California, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mr. ROYCE):

H. Res. 252. Resolution urging the President to make clear to the People's Republic of China the commitment of the American people to security and democracy on the Republic of China on Taiwan; to the Committee on International Relations.

#### MEMORIALS

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