

(h)(1) Any document published by the committee as a House Report, other than a report of the committee on a measure which has been approved by the committee, shall be approved by the committee at a meeting, and Members shall have the same opportunity to submit views as provided for in Rule 5(c).

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), the Chairman may approve the publication of any document as a committee print which in his discretion he determines to be useful for the information of the committee.

(3) Any document to be published as a committee print which purports to express the views, findings, conclusions, or recommendations of the committee or any of its subcommittees must be approved by the Full Committee or its subcommittees, as applicable, in a meeting or otherwise in writing by a majority of the Members, and such Members shall have the right to submit supplemental, minority, or additional views for inclusion in the print within at least 48 hours after such approval.

(4) Any document to be published as a committee print other than a document described in paragraph (c) of this Rule: (A) shall include on its cover the following statement: "This document has been printed for informational purposes only and does not represent either findings or recommendations adopted by this Committee;" and (B) shall not be published following the sine die adjournment of a Congress, unless approved by the Chairman of the Full Committee after consultation with the Ranking Minority member of the Full Committee.

(i) A report of an investigation or study conducted jointly by this committee and one or more other committee(s) may be filed jointly, provided that each of the committees complies independently with all requirements for approval and filing of the report.

(j) After an adjournment of the last regular session of a Congress sine die, an investigative or oversight report approved by the committee may be filed with the Clerk at any time, provided that if a member gives notice at the time of approval of intention to file supplemental, minority, or additional views, that member shall be entitled to not less than seven calendar days in which to submit such views for inclusion with the report.

(k) After an adjournment of the last regular session of a Congress sine die, the Chairman of the committee may file at any time with the Clerk the committee's activity report for that Congress pursuant to clause 1(d)(1) of rule XI of the Rules of the House without the approval of the committee, provided that a copy of the report has been available to each member of the committee for at least seven calendar days and the report includes any supplemental, minority, or additional views submitted by a member of the committee.

NOTIFICATION TO APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

(l) No later than May 15 of each year, the Chairman shall report to the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations any departments, agencies, or programs under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Science for which no authorization exists for the next fiscal year. The Chairman shall further report to the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations when authorizations are subsequently enacted prior to enactment of the relevant annual appropriations bill.

OVERSIGHT

(m) Not later than February 15 of the first session of a Congress, the Committee shall meet in open session, with a quorum present, to adopt its oversight plans for that Congress for submission to the Committee on House Oversight and the Committee on Gov-

ernment Reform and Oversight, in accordance with the provisions of clause 2(d) of Rule X of the House of Representatives.

(n) The Chairman of the committee, or of any subcommittee, shall not undertake any investigation in the name of the committee without formal approval by the Chairman of the committee after consultation with the Ranking Minority Member of the Full Committee.

OTHER PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

(o) During the consideration of any measure or matter, the Chairman of the Full Committee, or of any Subcommittee, or any Member acting as such, shall suspend further proceedings after a question has been put to the Committee at any time when there is a vote by electronic device occurring in the House of Representatives.

(p) The Chairman of the Full Committee, after consultation with the Ranking Minority Member, may establish such other procedures and take such actions as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing rules or to facilitate the effective operation of the Committee.

LEGISLATIVE AND OVERSIGHT JURISDICTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE

"Rule X. Establishment of Standing Committees.

"The Committees and Their Jurisdiction.

"1. There shall be in the House the following standing committees, each of which shall have the jurisdiction and related functions assigned to it by this clause and clauses 2, 3, and 4; and all bills, resolutions, and other matters relating to subjects within the jurisdiction of any standing committee as listed in this clause shall (in accordance with and subject to clause 5) be referred to such committees, as follows:

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"(n) Committee on Science.

"(1) All energy research, development, and demonstration, and projects therefor, and all federally owned or operated nonmilitary energy laboratories.

"(2) Astronautical research and development, including resources, personnel, equipment, and facilities.

"(3) Civil aviation research and development.

"(4) Environmental research and development.

"(5) Marine research.

"(6) Measures relating to the commercial application of energy technology.

"(7) National Institute of Standards and Technology, standardization of weights and measures and the metric system.

"(8) National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

"(9) National Space Council.

"(10) National Science Foundation.

"(11) National Weather Service.

"(12) Outer space, including exploration and control thereof.

"(13) Science Scholarships.

"(14) Scientific research, development, and demonstration, and projects therefor.

"In addition to its legislative jurisdiction under the preceding provisions of this paragraph (and its general oversight function under clause 2(b)(1)), the committee shall have the special oversight function provided for in clause 3(f) with respect to all nonmilitary research and development."

SPECIAL OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS

3. (f) The Committee on Science shall have the function of reviewing and studying, on a continuing basis, all laws, programs, and Government activities dealing with or involving nonmilitary research and development.

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE 105TH CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. SHUSTER] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I am submitting for printing in the RECORD a copy of the amendment, adopted by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on March 12, 1997, to the rules previously submitted in accordance with clause 2(a) of rule XI of the rules of the House.

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Rule XIV(a) of the Rules of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure is amended by striking subparagraphs (1) through (6) and inserting the following:

(1) Subcommittee on Aviation (34 Members: 19 majority, 15 minority).

(2) Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation (9 Members: 5 majority, 4 minority).

(3) Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development (11 Members: 6 majority, 5 minority).

(4) Subcommittee on Railroads (20 Members: 11 majority, 9 minority).

(5) Subcommittee on Surface Transportation (50 Members: 28 majority, 22 minority).

(6) Subcommittee on Water Resources and the Environment (36 Members: 20 majority, 16 minority).

CUBAN LIBERTY AND DEMOCRATIC SOLIDARITY ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from Florida [Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, it was only a year ago today that the Helms-Burton law was signed into law after this Chamber, in all of its wisdom and its support of the oppressed people of Cuba, passed that landmark and historic legislation by an overwhelming majority. A year later the Members of the House of Representatives who supported this bill known as the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act can be proud of casting their vote in favor of the bill because after only 1 year of its implementation, it has proven to be an effective weapon in the battle to rid Cuba of the Castro dictatorship.

Mr. Speaker, evidence of the success of the Helms-Burton Act can be found in various statements by top Castro officials who have faulted Helms-Burton for, among other things, the decision by the Mexican conglomerate, Grupo Damos, to withdraw from its agreement to reconstruct Cuba's domestic telecommunications system, and these same Castro officials have stated that Helms-Burton is responsible for the lack of private financing for equipment that is needed for Cuba's important sugar harvest.

Just today the Castro regime's foreign minister, Roberto Robaina, on a

stop in Brazil, stated that Helms-Burton has had a very strong psychological effect and has frustrated investments. He added that the Cuban economy has not grown as expected in large part due to this legislation.

But whether or not Castro's thugs agree that Helms-Burton has been successful or not, it is clear that this legislation has stopped in its tracks Castro's efforts to sell Cuba as an investment paradise, a paradise where workers who enjoy no rights are virtual slaves to the wicked partnership of Castro and the foreign investors who profit from American stolen property.

All of this, Mr. Speaker, has taken place despite the failure of the Clinton administration to fully implement the law. The President has ignored congressional intent and has twice waived title III of Helms-Burton. This is the provision that grants American citizens the right to sue in American courts those foreign investors who traffic in their stolen American property in Cuba.

Similarly, title IV of the legislation that denies entry to the United States of those officials of corporations that are investing in illegally confiscated American property in Cuba, has only been enforced against two corporations: Sherritt of Canada and Grupo Doms of Mexico, despite evidence that other companies like Spain's hotel builders, Sol-Melia, are doing business with United States confiscated properties.

The Castro regime's desperation to silence any support for Helms-Burton inside the island was translated a few months ago into an antidote law that virtually prohibits any positive talk of Helms-Burton on the island.

Articles 8 and 9 of this totalitarian law makes it a crime for any Cuban citizen to facilitate the implementation of Helms-Burton. The main victims but not the only victims of this new oppressive law have been the independent journalists on the island who bravely attempt to offer the people of Cuba and the outside world an objective view of the repressive situation on the island.

Raul Rivero, who presides over Cuba Press, an independent journalist association in Cuba, and many other colleagues who bravely attempt to break Castro's information monopoly, have been systematically harassed and arrested by Castro's thugs since this draconian law took effect.

These journalists are subject to so-called repudiation acts, which are government sponsored mobs, which in the middle of the night scream insults such as "traitor," and in fact they vandalize these reporters' homes.

Unfortunately, Mr. Speaker, many of our allies have followed Castro's lead. They have mounted a campaign of their own to revoke Helms-Burton in order to be able to continue to profit and participate in Castro's slave economy.

Mr. Speaker, only by denying Castro the resources he needs to maintain

power can we help the people of Cuba in their struggle to eliminate the last dictator of our hemisphere, Fidel Castro.

BRAVERY AND VALOR

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas [Mr. LAMPSON] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. LAMPSON. Mr. Speaker, bravery and valor are qualities we do not hear much about anymore. Recently though, Galveston County, TX, was the site for two notable displays of those qualities, and their heroes deserve our praise.

Mr. Speaker, my sister is a quadriplegic. I cannot think of anything more frightening than her being caught in a fire. That is the tragedy that befell a man in Santa Fe, TX, last week. As he slept, his home caught fire. Officers were dispatched to the scene. When Sgt. Lee Stephenson and Officers Carl Nunn and David Thomas arrived, they were told by neighbors that the occupant was wheelchair-bound. Unable to get through either door due to the flames and smoke, the officers broke through a bedroom window, located the man and carried him to safety.

Every day, men and women who have devoted their lives to protecting our communities put themselves at risk. We should honor them every day, and I am pleased to tell their story. Before this U.S. House of Representatives, I recognize and I salute the bravery and valor displayed by Santa Fe police officers Lee Stephenson, Carl Nunn, and David Thomas. I also wish to recognize the efforts of the Santa Fe Volunteer Fire Department for their hard work and dedicated public service.

An even scarier situation emerged last month in Galveston County when a man driving with his two toddler daughters in the car had a seizure while approaching the Galveston Bay Causeway on Interstate 45. The car flew off the highway and fell 15 feet into the water, landing fortunately at a shallow point.

Five young people were following a few hundred yards behind. They saw the tragedy unfold, pulled over and rushed into the water to help. They pulled the two little girls and their father to safety so they could receive medical attention. Before this House of Representatives, I recognize and I salute the bravery and valor displayed by Mark Kneip of Texas City, TX, and Shawn Cook, Katherine Holmes, Paul Holmes, and Evelyn Urban, all of Dickinson, TX.

I am understandably proud to come before this body and tell the American people these stories of heroism from my district.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank my colleagues and the charitable interests who organized last weekend's bipartisan retreat.

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As a new Member of this body, I appreciated the opportunity to discuss

the operation of the people's House without regard to party affiliation or seniority.

I and most of my freshmen colleagues recognize that we were elected in part as a response to the marked partisanship of the previous Congress. This weekend was a giant leap forward toward a more collegial and, therefore, more productive House of Representatives.

MARGIE JANOVICH'S SACRIFICE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DUNCAN). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Nebraska [Mr. CHRISTENSEN] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, today in Omaha, NE, we had a funeral for a young lady that has meant a lot to me over the last 2 years. Her name was Margie Janovich. Margie was an inspiration, I think, not only to Omaha, but after people hear about her story, will be an inspiration to every family in this country.

Margie was diagnosed about 2 years ago with thyroid cancer, and she was 5 months pregnant at the time she was diagnosed with thyroid cancer. She was a strong, committed believer of the right of the unborn child. Margie felt compelled to forego the treatments on her thyroid and to forego the chemotherapy until her baby was born 4 months later.

Margie already had 8 children: Nick, 21; Tina, 19; Terri, 17; Jim, 16; Mike, 12; Joe, 9; Dan, 7 years old; and Andy, 3. So they had a wonderful family and Margie thought that she could not bring herself to endanger her unborn child. So she forewent the chemotherapy and delivered little baby Mary safely.

During those 4 months that she decided not to go through treatments, the cancer spread. It spread to her lungs and it spread on into the rest of her body. For the last 20 months Margie has fought cancer, and it took her life Sunday night and we buried her today.

During those last 20 months, I have had an opportunity to spend a lot of time with her. I have gone over to her house several times, had pizza delivered a couple of times, and every time I was over there Margie always had the greatest attitude. She never once was concerned about her own self. It was, how are you doing, what is going on in Congress, are you going to get that partial birth abortion bill through this year. She was very, very, very sick, but she always was concerned about other people.

During the last 20 months she home schooled three of her children. Neighbors surrounded them, took a lot of food over and tried to help out however they could. Ron was always there, a tremendous husband. But this is a story about the quality of life and the respect for life for this little child, Mary Beth Janovich.