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. DEFAZIO (for himself and Mr. HINCHEY):

H.R. 2757. A bill to impose a moratorium on increases in the rates charged for cable television service, to require the Federal Communications Commission to conduct an inquiry into the causes of such increases and the impediments to competition, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Com-

By Mr. HOEKSTRA (for himself, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. Col-LINS, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. COBLE, Mr. CLAY, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. HAMILTON, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. Torres, Mr. Manzullo, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. STUMP, EHLERS, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. EWING, Mr. UPTON, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. Mr. CHAMBLISS. LINDER Mr NETHERCUTT, Mr. CRANE, Mr. RIGGS, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BURR of North Carolina. Mr. KNOLLENBERG, and Mr. BALLENGER):

H.R. 2758. A bill to amend title 18. United States Code, to minimize the unfair competition for Federal contracting opportunities between Federal Prison Industries and private firms (especially small business concerns), to provide to Federal agencies in their dealings with Federal Prison Industries the contract administration tools generally available to assure quality performance by their other suppliers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary

By Mr. RUSH:

H.R. 2759. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the requirements for the admission of nonimmigrant nurses who will practice in health professional shortage areas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CUNNINGHAM (for himself, Mr. TANNER, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. JOHN, Mr. METCALF, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. GIBBONS, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. BOYD, and Mr. POMBO):

H.R. 2760. A bill to amend the Sikes Act to establish a mechanism by which outdoor recreation programs on military installations will be accessible to disabled veterans. military dependents with disabilities, and other persons with disabilities; to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committee on National Security, 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. FRANK of Massachusetts (for himself, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. NORTON, Ms. Furse, Ms. Pelosi, Mr. Lantos, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. FILNER, Mrs. MALONEY of New York. DELAHUNT, Mr. NADLER, Mr. OLVER, Mr. Schumer, Ms. Rivers, Ms. Velazquez, Mr. Kennedy of Rhode Island, and Mr. WYNN):

H.R. 2761. A bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees; to the Committee on Government Reform and 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. GILCHREST: H.R. 2762. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the protection of the Nation's wetlands and watersheds, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastruc-

By Mr. GOSS:

H.R. 2763. A bill to provide that an annual pay adjustment for Members of Congress not exceed the cost-of-living adjustment in benefits under title II of the Social Security Act for that year; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, and in addition to the Committee on 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. HANSEN (for himself and Mr.

MEEHAN):

H.R. 2764. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the excise tax rate on tobacco products and deposit the resulting revenues into a Public Health and Education Resource Trust Fund, and for other purposes; 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. HILLIARD:

H.R. 2765. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to specify certain circumstances that give rise to affiliation or control of a nonprofit organization by a forprofit organization for purposes of denying eligibility for the low-income housing tax credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means

By Mr. LATOURETTE (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. STRICKLAND, BOEHNER, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. STOKES, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Ms. Pryce of Ohio, Mr. Traficant, Mr. Ney, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. KASICH, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. REGULA, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. HOBSON, and Mr. CHABOT):

H.R. 2766. A bill to designate the United States Post Office located at 215 East Jackson Street in Painesville, Ohio, as the "Karl Bernal Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

> By Mrs. MORELLA (for herself, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, and Mr. MORAN of Virginia):

H.R. 2767. A bill to provide additional compensation for members of the Metropolitan Police Department and Fire Department of the District of Columbia, the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division, and the United States Park Police who carry out certain technical or hazardous duties, and for other purposes: to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. SANFORD:

H.R. 2768. A bill to provide for the retirement of all Americans; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Rules, and Banking and Financial Services, 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. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. NADLER. Mr. McDermott, Ms. Lofgren. MENENDEZ, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. BER-MAN, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. GUTIERREZ, BARRETT of Wisconsin, FURSE, and Mr. BLAGOJEVICH):

H.R. 2769. A bill to ensure that background checks are conducted before the transfer of a handgun by a firearms dealer; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SHAW:

H.R. 2770. A bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to provide for a deferral of the duty on large yachts imported for sale at boat shows in the United States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SHAYS: H.R. 2771. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the definition of raw value for purposes of raw sugar import tariff rate quota; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SOLŎMON:

H.R. 2772. A bill to establish an Office of National Security within the Securities and Exchange Commission, provide for the monitoring of the extent of foreign involvement in United States securities markets, financial institutions, and pension funds, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on International Relations, Banking and Financial Services, and Education and the Workforce, 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. LINDA SMITH of Washington (for herself, Mr. WOLF, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. GEJD-ENSON, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. HYDE, Mr. Cox of California, and Mr. TIAHRT):

H. Con. Res. 180. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the Government of the People's Republic of China should stop the practice of harvesting and transplanting organs for profit from prisoners that it executes; 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 Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. PORTER, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. RUSH,

and Mr. PAPPAS):

H. Con. Res. 181. Concurrent resolution calling for a United States effort to end restrictions on the freedoms and human rights of the enclaved people in theoccupied area of Cyprus: to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. FAZIO of California:

H. Res. 286. A resolution expressing the condolences of the House on the death of the Honorable Walter H. Capps, a Representative from the State of California; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GALLEGLY (for himself and Mr. ACKERMAN): H. Res. 289. A resolution expressing the

sense of the Congress that a renewed effort be made to end the violent guerrilla war in Colombia, which poses a serious threat to democracy in regions of Colombia as evidenced by the results of the recent October 26, 1997. elections; to the Committee on International Relations.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

[Omitted from the Record of October 28, 1997] H.R. 2009: Ms. RIVERS and Mr. ENGEL.

[Submitted October 29, 1997]

H.R. 12: Mr. FORD and Mr. TOWNS.

- H.R. 367: Mr. BILBRAY and Mr. POMBO.
- H.R. 372: Mr. TOWNS, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. FILNER, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Mr.
- H.R. 453: Mr. Fox of Pennsylvania, Mr. DICKS, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. SABO, and Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN.
 - H.R. 475: Mrs. NORTHUP.
 - H.R. 693: Mr. Goss and Mr. Goode.
 - H.R. 696: Mrs. Lowey.
 - H.R. 768: Mr. TIAHRT.
- H.R. 815: Mr. ROEMER and Mr. HALL of Texas.
- H.R. 820: Ms. DELAURO.
- H.R. 875: Mr. BILIRAKIS.
- H.R. 979: Mr. BORSKI and Mr. SPENCE.
- H.R. 991: Mr. PALLONE.
- H.R. 1023: Mr. NUSSLE and Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.
 - H.R. 1146: Mr. ADERHOLT.
- H.R. 1147: Mr. GOODE.
- H.R. 1200: Ms. RIVERS.
- H.R. 1232: Mr. Stokes, Mr. English of Pennsylvania, Ms. NORTON, Mr. SOUDER, and Ms. KILPATRICK.
- H.R. 1289: Mrs. Northup, Mr. Filner, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. LATOURETTE, SCOTT. and Mr. STRICKLAND.
 - H.R. 1329: Mr. KILDEE and Mr. McGOVERN.
 - H.R. 1376: Mr. Kennedy of Rhode Island.
 - H.R. 1390: Mr. BENTSEN.
- H.R. 1404: Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. GEJDENSON, and Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon.
- H.R. 1415: Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. CANNON, and Mr. PETRI.
- H.R. 1481: Mr. GILLMOR.
- H.R. 1521: Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BONO, and Ms. FURSE.
 - H.R. 1524: Mrs. KELLY and Mr. PAXON.
- H.R. 1531: Mr. SCHUMER.
- H.R. 1541: Mr. STICKLAND.
- H.R. 1608: Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PITTS, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. STUPAK, and Mr. McGOVERN.
- H.R. 1628: Mr. Scott.
- H.R. 1727: Ms. DELAURO.
- H.R. 1753: Ms. WATERS.
- H.R. 1754: Mr. DELAHUNT.
- H.R. 1813: Mr. EVANS, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. POSHARD, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, and Mr. ALLEN.
- H.R. 1836: Mr. ALLEN. H.R. 1883: Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD
- H.R. 2072: Mr. LARGENT.
- H.R. 2095: Mr. CHRISTENSEN.
- H.R. 2103: Mr. MORAN of Kansas.
- H.R. 2121: Mr. SHAYS.
- H.R. 2130: Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mrs. THURMAN, and Mr. JACKSON.
- H.R. 2174: Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. SANDLIN, and Mr. DEFAZIO.
 - H.R. 2183: Mr. TRAFICANT.
 - H.R. 2185: Mr. VENTO.
 - H.R. 2224: Ms. SLAUGHTER.
- H.R. 2257: Mr. VENTO.
- H.R. 2263: Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. COOKSEY, and Mr. DINGELL.
- H.R. 2292: Mr. FORBES.
- H.R. 2321: Mr. NEY and Mr. PICKETT.
- H.R. 2349: Ms. WATERS.
- H.R. 2380: Mr. Frelinghuysen.
- H.R. 2382: Mr. McGovern and Ms. Chris-TIAN-GREEN.
- H.R. 2428: Mr. BONIOR, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. Evans, Ms. Woolsey, Mr. Manton, Mr. POSHARD, Mr. MINGE, and Mr. TORRES.
- H.R. 2456: Mr. RAHALL and Ms. STABENOW.
- H.R. 2474: Mr. METCALF, Ms. GRANGER, and Mr. Boswell.
- H.R. 2489: Ms. Furse. Mr. Whitfield. Mr. BAESLER, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, and Mrs. CHENOWETH.

- H.R. 2524: Mr. TORRES, Mrs. THURMAN, and Ms. Danner.
- H.R. 2560: Mr. SALMON, Mr. TORRES, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mrs. LINDA SMITH of Washington, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. JACK-SON-LEE, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. FORD, and Mr.
- H.R. 2609: Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. NETHERCUTT, and Mr. HOSTETTLER.
- H.R. 2611: Mr. ISTOOK.
- H.R. 2625: Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. UPTON, Mr. EHRLICH, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, and Mr. Bonilla.
 - H.R. 2626: Mr. Costello.
- H.R. 2668: Mr. NEUMANN, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, and Mr. BARTON of Texas.
- H.R. 2670: Mr. PAPPAS.
- H.R. 2671: Mr. NETHERCUTT.
- H.R. 2693: Mrs. MEEK of Florida Mr. ROTH-MAN, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. MAR-TINEZ, and Mr. LAMPSON.
- H.R. 2695: Mr. FILNER, Ms. KILPATRICK, and Mr. Frost.
- H.R. 2709: Ms. Harman, Mr. Shays, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. LAZIO of New York, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. Hoyer, Mr. Peterson of Minnesota, Mr. Young of Alaska, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. NADLER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. Ford, Mr. Hostettler, Mr. Kasich, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. PORTER, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. WYNN, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. SHADEGG, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. STUPAK, and Mr. BERMAN.
- H.R. 2717: Mr. FARTTAH and Mr. DAVIS of Virginia.
- H.R. 2739: Mr. DELAY.
- H.R. 2741: Mr. PACKARD, Mr. POMBO, and Ms. Sanchez.
- H. Con. Res. 107: Mr. DAVIS of Virginia.
- H. Con. Res. 127: Mr. CRAMER, Mr. LUTHER, and Mr. BACHUS.
- H. Con. Res. 152: Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. LAZIO of New York, and Mr. PAPPAS.
- H. Con. Res. 156: Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA.
- H. Con. Res. 172: Mr. BEREUTER and Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA.
- H. Res. 211: Mr. Hobson, Mr. Kim, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. Petri, Mr. Stupak, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, and Mr. WICK-
- H. Res. 231: Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA.
- H. Res. 247: Mr. LUTHER.
- H. Res. 267: Mr. SNOWBARGER, Mr. BRADY, Mr. Coble, Ms. Pryce of Ohio, Mr. Hastings of Florida, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. GILLMORE, Mr. Carpo, Mr. Dreier, Mr. Oxley, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Hastings of Washington, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, and Mrs. McCarthy of New York.

DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

H.R. 2527: Ms. DELAURO.

AMENDMENTS

Under clause 6 of rule XXIII, proposed amendments were submitted as follows:

H.R. 2493

OFFERED BY: MR. MILLER of California [Substitute Amendment to the Smith (OR) Amendment]

[Page & line nos. refer to Union Calendar Print of H.R. 2493, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Resources].

AMENDMENT No. 12: In section 107(a), strike paragraph (2) (page 36, lines 16 through 20) and insert the following new paragraph:

- (2) FEE FOR FOREIGN-OWNED OR CONTROLLED GRAZING PERMITS OR LEASES.—In the case of a grazing permit or lease held or otherwise controlled in whole or in part by a foreign corporation or a foreign individual, the fee shall be equal to the higher of the following:
- (A) The average grazing fee (weighted by animal unit months) charged by the State during the previous grazing year for grazing on State lands in the State in which the land covered by the grazing permit or lease are located:
- (B) The average grazing fee (weighted by animal unit months) charged for grazing on private lands in the State in which the lands covered by the grazing permit or lease are located

HR 2493

OFFERED BY: MR. MILLER of California

[Page & line nos. refer to Union Calendar Print of H.R. 2493, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Resources).

AMENDMENT No. 13: In section 107(a), strike paragraph (2) (page 36, lines 16 through 20) and insert the following new paragraph:

- (2) FEE FOR FOREIGN-OWNED OR CONTROLLED GRAZING PERMITS OR LEASES.—In the case of a grazing permit or lease held or otherwise controlled in whole or in part by a foreign corporation or a foreign individual, the fee shall be equal to the higher of the following:
- (A) The average grazing fee (weighted by animal unit months) charged by the State during the previous grazing year for grazing on State lands in the State in which the lands covered by the grazing permit or lease are located:
- (B) The average grazing fee (weighted by animal unit months) charged for grazing on private lands in the State in which the lands covered by the grazing permit or lease are located

H.R. 2616

OFFERED BY: Ms. HOOLEY OF OREGON

page 8, line 21.

H.R. 2616

OFFERED BY: Ms. HOOLEY OF OREGON

AMENDMENT No. 3: Beginning on page 8, line 5, strike "State law regarding charter schools" and insert "enabling State statute''

Beginning on page 8, line 9, strike "State law regarding charter schools" and insert "enabling State statute"

Beginning on page 8, line 14, strike "State law regarding charter schools" and insert "enabling State statute"

Page 8, line 17, strike "to determine" and all that follows through "charter" on line 21.

Page 14, strike line 5, and insert "enabling State statute; Page 21, line 3, strike "specific" and insert

''enabling'

Page 21, line 4, strike "charter school".