

Mr. COBLE: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 1225. A bill to authorize funds for the payment of salaries and expenses of the Patent and Trademark Office, and for other purposes (Rept. 106-177). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. WOLF: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 2084. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes (Rept. 106-180). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and references to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. SMITH of Texas: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 322. A bill for the relief of Suchada Kwong; with an amendment (Rept. 106-178). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

Mr. SMITH of Texas: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 660. A bill for the private relief of Ruth Hairston by waiver of a filing deadline for appeal from a ruling relating to her application for a survivor annuity (Rept. 106-179). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. GEKAS:

H.R. 2083. A bill to provide for the appointment by the Attorney General of a special counsel when investigation or prosecution of a person by an office or official of the Department of Justice may result in a personal, financial, or political conflict of interest; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WOLF:

H.R. 2084. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

By Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon (for herself and Mr. WALDEN of Oregon):

H.R. 2085. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to end the marriage penalty, to provide estate tax relief for family-owned farms and other family-owned businesses, to provide a tax credit for longterm care needs, to expand the child and dependent care tax credit, to increase the deduction for health insurance costs for self-employed individuals, and to adjust for inflation the exemption amounts used to calculate the individual alternative minimum tax; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER (for himself, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. EWING, Mr. COOK, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. KUYKENDALL, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. GORDON):

H.R. 2086. A bill to authorize funding for networking and information technology re-

search and development for fiscal years 2000 through 2004, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, 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. TALENT (for himself, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. ENGLISH, Mrs. BONO, and Mr. DEMINT):

H.R. 2087. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for small businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HAYWORTH (for himself, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. BEERUTER, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CAMP, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBLE, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. COOK, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. DELAY, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. DUNCAN, Ms. DUNN, Mr. EHRLICH, Mr. EVERETT, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. GOSS, Mr. GRAHAM, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. HAYES, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HILL of Montana, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. KASICH, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. LARENT, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. MICA, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. GARY MILLER of California, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. NEY, Mrs. NORTHUP, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. PITTS, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. ROGAN, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. SALMON, Mr. SCHAFER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. STUMP, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. TALENT, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. TERRY, Mr. WAMP, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BACHUS, and Mr. GOODE):

H.R. 2088. A bill to prohibit discrimination in contracting on federally funded projects on the basis of certain labor policies of potential contractors; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. BOEHNER:

H.R. 2089. A bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide new procedures and access to review for grievances arising under group health plans; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. GREENWOOD (for himself, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mrs. MORELLA, Mrs. CAPPAS, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. BILBRAY, and Mr. GUTIERREZ):

H.R. 2090. A bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce to contract with the National Academy of Sciences to establish the Coordinated Oceanographic Program Advisory Panel to report to the Congress on the feasi-

bility and social value of a coordinated oceanography program; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mrs. BIGGERT (for herself, Mr. ENGEL, Mrs. KELLY, Mrs. WILSON, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. CROWLEY, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.R. 2091. A bill to designate the Republic of Montenegro, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, and the Republic of Albania under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act in order to render nationals of these foreign states eligible for temporary protected status under such section; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BURTON of Indiana:

H.R. 2092. A bill to require that the membership of advisory bodies serving the National Cancer Institute include individuals who are knowledgeable in complementary and alternative medicine; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BURTON of Indiana (for himself, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. TIERNEY):

H.R. 2093. A bill to establish the National Youth Violence Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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:

H.R. 2094. A bill to amend the Webb-Kenyon Act to allow any State, territory, or possession of the United States to bring an action in Federal court to enjoin violations of that Act or to enforce the laws of such State, territory, or possession with respect to such violations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. BOEHNER:

H.R. 2095. A bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to make needed reforms relating to group health plans; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ENGEL:

H.R. 2096. A bill to amend chapter 89 or title 5, United States Code, to make available to Federal employees the option of obtaining health benefits coverage for dependent parents; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN (for himself, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. PASCRELL, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Mr. HOLT, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. ROTMAN, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey):

H.R. 2097. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the U.S.S. New Jersey, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN:

H.R. 2098. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dark couverture chocolate; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 2099. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of sennosides; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GOODLATTE (for himself and Ms. LOFGREN):

H.R. 2100. A bill to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to prohibit the unauthorized destruction, modification, or alteration of product identification codes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HOUGHTON (for himself, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. WELLER, Mr. LEWIS of

Georgia, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Ms. DUNN, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. MCINNIS, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. COYNE, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. STARK, Mr. NUSSLE, and Mrs. LOWEY):

H.R. 2101. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify and permanently extend the work opportunity tax credit and to allow certain tax-exempt organizations a credit against employment taxes in an amount equivalent to the work opportunity tax credit allowable to taxable employers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut (for herself, Mrs. THURMAN, Mrs. KELLY, Mrs. MORELLA, and Mr. BAKER):

H.R. 2102. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a deduction for qualified long-term care insurance premiums and a credit for individuals with long-term care needs, to provide for an individual and employer educational campaign concerning long-term care insurance, and to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to expand State long-term care partnerships by exempting 75 percent of partnership assets from Medicaid estate recovery; 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 Mrs. MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 2103. A bill to amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to allow employees to take, as additional leave, parental involvement leave to participate in or attend their children's educational and extracurricular activities and to clarify that leave may be taken for routine medical needs and to assist elderly relatives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Government Reform, and House Administration, 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.

H.R. 2104. A bill to amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to permit leave to care for a domestic partner, parent-in-law, adult child, sibling, or grandparent if the domestic partner, parent-in-law, adult child, sibling, or grandparent has a serious health condition; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Government Reform, and House Administration, 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. MCCOLLUM (for himself, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. GOSS, Mr. GILMAN, and Mr. MICA):

H.R. 2105. A bill to provide for the treatment of the actions of certain foreign narcotics traffickers as an unusual and extraordinary threat to the United States for purposes of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act; 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. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. ANDREWS, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. FROST, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. ALLEN):

H.R. 2106. A bill to exempt certain small businesses from the increased tariffs and other retaliatory measures imposed against products of the European Union in response to the banana regime of the European Union and its treatment of imported bovine meat; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NADLER:

H.R. 2107. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from the gross estate the value of certain works of artistic property created by the decedent; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PALLONE (for himself, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. HINCHEY, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia):

H.R. 2108. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to increase consumer confidence in safe drinking water and source water assessments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. PAYNE (for himself and Mrs. MALONEY of New York):

H.R. 2109. A bill to limit the sale or export of plastic bullets to the United Kingdom; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. PAYNE:

H.R. 2110. A bill to provide for the waiver of certain grounds of inadmissibility related to political activity in Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland for aliens married to United States citizens; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RANGEL:

H.R. 2111. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the personal holding company tax; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER (for himself, Mr. HYDE, and Mr. COBLE):

H.R. 2112. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to allow a judge to whom a case is transferred to retain jurisdiction over certain multidistrict litigation cases for trial, and to provide for Federal jurisdiction of certain multiparty, multiforum civil actions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SNYDER (for himself, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. FROST, Mr. OLVER, and Mr. HINCHEY):

H.R. 2113. A bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to ensure proper disclosure to participants and beneficiaries under group health plans covered under such title of limitations placed by such title on certain protections that would otherwise apply under State law; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. STARK:

H.R. 2114. A bill to establish a Medicare administrative fee for submission of paper claims; 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.

H.R. 2115. A bill to establish a demonstration project to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to selectively contract for the provision of medical care to Medicare beneficiaries; 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. STEARNS (for himself, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. STUMP, and Mr. EVANS):

H.R. 2116. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a program of extended care services for veterans and to

make other improvements in health care programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. STUPAK:

H.R. 2117. A bill to require any amounts appropriated for Members' Representative Allowances for the House of Representatives for a session of Congress that remain after all payments are made from such Allowances for the session to be deposited in the Treasury and used for deficit reduction or to reduce the Federal debt; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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. WYNN (for himself and Mr. DAVIS of Virginia):

H.R. 2118. A bill to amend the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Bridge Authority Act of 1995 to provide for continued engineering, design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction related to the project to upgrade the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Bridge; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. ROHRABACHER:

H.J. Res. 58. A joint resolution disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GILMAN (for himself, Mr. GARY MILLER of California, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. HINCHEY, and Mr. LAHOOD):

H. Con. Res. 129. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the Bureau of the Census should include in the 2000 decennial census all citizens of the United States residing abroad; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. FROST:

H. Res. 204. A resolution designating minority membership on certain standing committees of the House; considered and agreed to.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

91. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of New Mexico, relative to Senate Memorial 46 memorializing the United States Congress to enact Legislation amending the Social Security Act to prohibit Recoupment by the Federal Government of State Tobacco Settlement Funds; to the Committee on Commerce.

92. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of West Virginia, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 22 memorializing the Congress of the United States to enact legislation amending the Social Security Act so that funds due the states as a result of the Master Settlement Agreement reached with the tobacco industry are exempted from recoupment by the Health Care Financing Administration and prohibiting federal interference with the states in deciding how to best utilize those settlement funds; to the Committee on Commerce.

93. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, relative to Resolution No. 2 memorializing the Congress and the Administration to support legislation that would explicitly prohibit the federal government from claiming or recouping any state tobacco settlement recoveries; to the Committee on Commerce.

94. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Utah, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 3 memorializing