

Evaluating a Governor's Request for a Major Disaster Declaration (RIN: 3067-AC94) received September 9, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4345. A letter from the Associate Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Implementing Foreign Proposals to NASA Research Announcements on a No-Exchange-of-Funds Basis—received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

4346. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, Department of Commerce, International Trade Commission, transmitting the Department's final rule—Regulation Concerning Preliminary Critical Circumstances Findings [Docket No. 9908128228-9228-01] (RIN: 0625-AA56) received September 10, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4347. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Sports Franchises—received September 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4348. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Section 7702 Closing Agreements [Notice 99-47] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4349. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—1999 Section 43 Inflation Adjustment [Notice 99-45] received September 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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. LINDER: Committee on Rules. House Resolutions 295. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1875) to amend title 28, United States Code, to allow the application of the principles of Federal diversity jurisdiction to interstate class actions (Rept. 106-326). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 296. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1487) to provide for public participation in the declaration of national monuments under the Act popularly known as the Antiquities Act of 1906 (Rept. 106-327). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. SMITH of Texas (for himself, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. PAUL, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. KUYKENDALL, and Mr. SHAYS):

H.R. 2883. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to confer United States citizenship automatically and retroactively on certain foreign-born children adopted by citizens of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BLILEY:

H.R. 2884. A bill to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and

Conservation Act through fiscal year 2003; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. HORN (for himself, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, Mr. TURNER, Mrs. BIGGERT, and Mr. DAVIS of Virginia):

H.R. 2885. A bill to provide uniform safeguards for the confidentiality of information acquired for exclusively statistical purposes, and to improve the efficiency and quality of Federal statistics and Federal statistical programs by permitting limited sharing of records among designated agencies for statistical purposes under strong safeguards; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. HORN (for himself, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. BLILEY, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. FROST, Mr. BERMAN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, and Mr. SANDLIN):

H.R. 2886. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that an adopted alien who is less than 18 years of age may be considered a child under such Act if adopted with or after a sibling who is a child under such Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAKER:

H.R. 2887. A bill to amend the Federal Power Act to ensure that certain Federal power customers are provided protection by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. BIGGERT (for herself, Mr. OSE, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.R. 2888. A bill to provide funds to assist homeless children and youth; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. CANNON:

H.R. 2889. A bill to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to provide for acquisition of water and water rights for Central Utah Project purposes, completion of Central Utah project facilities, and implementation of water conservation measures; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. CROWLEY (for himself, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. SERRANO, and Mr. ROMERO-BARCELÓ):

H.R. 2890. A bill to amend the Puerto Rican Federal Relations Act to transfer jurisdiction over Federal land in and around the island of Vieques to the Government of Puerto Rico, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. DAVIS of Virginia (for himself and Mr. MORAN of Virginia):

H.R. 2891. A bill to provide reasonable and non-discriminatory access to buildings owned or used by the Federal Government for the provision of competitive telecommunications services by telecommunications carriers; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. DUNN (for herself, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. METCALF, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. DICKS, Mr. MCDERMOTT, and Mr. SMITH of Washington):

H.R. 2892. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand Medicare coverage of certain self-injected biologicals; 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. FOLEY:

H.R. 2893. A bill to provide that adjustments in rates of pay for Members of Congress may not exceed any cost-of-living increases in benefits under title II of the Social Security Act; to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on 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. FOLEY:

H.R. 2894. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a shorter recovery period for the depreciation of certain restaurant buildings; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island (for himself, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. FARR of California, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Ms. PELOSI, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey):

H.R. 2895. A bill to impose an immediate suspension of assistance to the Government of Indonesia until the results of the August 30, 1999, vote in East Timor have been implemented, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on 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. LEACH (for himself, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. LAFALCE, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Ms. WATERS, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. BAKER, Mr. LAZIO, Mr. BACHUS, and Mr. CASTLE):

H.R. 2896. A bill to combat money laundering and protect the United States financial system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, 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 Mrs. LOWEY (for herself, Mr. SHOWS, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. FROST, Ms. NORTON, Mr. SANDLIN, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. UNDERWOOD, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.R. 2897. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act relating to freshness dates on food; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mrs. MINK of Hawaii:

H.R. 2898. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce to age 21 the minimum age for an individual without children to be eligible for the earned income credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NADLER:

H.R. 2899. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to exempt certain elderly persons from demonstrating an understanding of the English language and the history, principles, and form of government of the United States as a requirement for naturalization, and to permit certain other elderly persons to take the history and government examination in a language of their choice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WAXMAN (for himself, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. OLVER, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. VENTO, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms.

SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. LANTOS, and Mr. KUCINICH):

H.R. 2900. A bill to reduce emissions from electric powerplants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. PITTS (for himself, Mrs. BONO, Mrs. MYRICK, Mrs. EMERSON, Mrs. NORTHUP, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. DELAY, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mr. GARY MILLER of California):

H.R. 2901. A bill to establish a program of formula grants to the States for programs to provide pregnant women with alternatives to abortion, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself and Mr. HINCHHEY):

H.R. 2902. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to protect pension benefits of employees in defined benefit plans and to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to enforce the age discrimination requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 with respect to amendments resulting in defined benefit plans becoming cash balance plans; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on 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 Mr. SAXTON:

H.R. 2903. A bill to assist in the conservation of coral reefs; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. SCARBOROUGH:

H.R. 2904. A bill to amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 to reauthorize funding for the Office of Government Ethics; to the Committee on Government Reform, 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. WATERS (for herself, Mr. VENTO, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, and Mr. HINCHHEY):

H.R. 2905. A bill to eliminate money laundering in the private banking system, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to take certain actions with regard to foreign countries in which there is a concentration of money laundering activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma (for himself, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. WOLF):

H.R. 2906. A bill to facilitate famine relief efforts and a comprehensive solution to the war in Sudan; to the Committee on International Relations, 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 Ms. WOOLSEY:

H.R. 2907. A bill to amend the child and adult care food program under the National School Lunch Act to revise the eligibility of private organizations under that program; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. BEREUTER (for himself, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. ROHR-ABACHER, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. HOFFEL, and Mr. ORTIZ):

H. Res. 297. A resolution expressing sympathy for the victims of the devastating earthquake that struck Taiwan on September 21, 1999; to the Committee on International Relations.

MEMORIALS

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

222. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution 38 memorializing the U.S. Congress in ensuring that the critical infrastructure for the U.S. military defense strategy be maintained through the renewal of the withdrawal from the public use of the McGregor Range land beyond 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

223. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution 75 memorializing the United States Congress to qualify the contributions made by the State of Texas for eligible inpatient hospital services provided by contract in the Lower Rio Grande Valley for federal matching funds under the Medicaid disproportionate share hospital program; to the Committee on Commerce.

224. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to House Concurrent Resolution 59 memorializing the Congress of the United States to pass legislation that improves the quality of life and economic and environmental well-being of the Gulf Coast; to the Committee on Resources.

225. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 142 memorializing the Congress of the United States to authorize and to urge the Governor of the State of Louisiana to support the development of the "Comprehensive Hurricane Protection Plan for Coastal Louisiana"; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

226. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to House Concurrent Resolution 141 memorializing the Congress of the United States to maintain its commitment to the veterans of America and their families; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

227. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to House Concurrent Resolution 102 memorializing the Congress of the United States to ensure the future of the Kerrville Veterans Administration Medical Center; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

228. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to House Concurrent Resolution 249 memorializing the Congress of the United States and urging the President of the United States to refrain from inclusion of mandatory Social Security coverage for presently noncovered state and local government employees in any Social Security reform legislation; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

229. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution 7 memorializing the Congress of the United States to maintain its commitment to America's military retirees over the age of 65; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Government Reform.

230. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution 2 memorializing the Congress of the United States to provide funding for infrastructure improvements between Texas and Mexico; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Transportation and Infrastructure.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

Mr. KANJORSKI (by request) introduced a bill (H.R. 2908) for the relief of Charmaine Bieda; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 82: Mr. MCCOLLUM and Mr. JENKINS.

H.R. 88: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. FILNER, Mr. LARSON, Mr. WU, Mr. MOORE, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, and Mr. BLAGOJEVICH.

H.R. 175: Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland and Mrs. WILSON.

H.R. 205: Mr. SANDLIN.

H.R. 220: Mr. WALDEN of Oregon.

H.R. 269: Ms. PELOSI.

H.R. 270: Ms. PELOSI, Mr. WEINER, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio.

H.R. 303: Mr. ENGEL.

H.R. 354: Mr. PETRI, Mr. CHABOT, and Mr. GARY MILLER of California.

H.R. 382: Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. ENGLISH, and Mr. SERRANO.

H.R. 425: Mr. DIXON.

H.R. 443: Ms. CARSON.

H.R. 488: Mr. CLYBURN.

H.R. 505: Mrs. MINK of Hawaii.

H.R. 516: Mr. TIAHRT.

H.R. 531: Mr. UPTON and Mr. HUTCHINSON.

H.R. 534: Mr. DICKS, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. BARCIA, Mrs. EMERSON, and Mr. SIMPSON.

H.R. 583: Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut.

H.R. 595: Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 628: Ms. PRYCE of Ohio.

H.R. 648: Mr. DIAZ-BALART.

H.R. 692: Mr. SENSENBRENNER.

H.R. 701: Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. LAHOOD, and Mr. CANADY of Florida.

H.R. 721: Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, and Mrs. MEEK of Florida.

H.R. 728: Mr. MCINNIS.

H.R. 730: Mrs. NAPOLITANO and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico.

H.R. 750: Mr. SNYDER, Mr. HORN, and Mr. BENTSEN.

H.R. 783: Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. LUTHER, and Mr. MOORE.

H.R. 798: Mr. BERMAN.

H.R. 826: Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO and Mr. EVANS.

H.R. 860: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

H.R. 886: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 888: Mr. BERMAN, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. WEINER, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, and Mr. KLINK.

H.R. 915: Mr. HOSTETTLER.

H.R. 920: Mr. MCGOVERN.

H.R. 932: Ms. LEE.

H.R. 1083: Mr. BERRY.

H.R. 1102: Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota.

H.R. 1115: Mr. LARSON, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. TURNER, Mr. WAMP, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. HYDE, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. BRYANT and Mr. STRICKLAND.

H.R. 1123: Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. WEINER, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 1129: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 1144: Mr. FOLEY and Mr. SANDLIN.

H.R. 1187: Mr. MINGE and Mrs. FOWLER.

H.R. 1221: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. WU, Mr. HUTCHINSON, and Mr. BACHUS.

H.R. 1222: Ms. KAPTUR.

H.R. 1237: Mr. FOLEY and Mr. PASCRELL.