

to this end, the Secretary of the Interior should coordinate with Federal, State, and local officials to catalog these memorials and use the resulting information to promote and maintain them. This is based on a concurrent resolution sponsored by our colleague, the gentleman from California (Mr. ROGAN).

Title IV requires the sale of a small historic site to the Chugach Alaska Natives and is noncontroversial.

Title V incorporates the provisions of legislation sponsored by the chairman of the Committee on Commerce, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BLILEY). It adjusts the boundaries of the Richmond National Battlefield Park, expanding and completing the existing battlefield to include historically significant areas relating to the campaigns against, and in defense of, Richmond, Virginia.

Title VI consists of two important sections addressing the needs of southeast Alaska and the Navajo Nation, respectively.

Section 601 authorizes Southeast Alaskan Intertie system, a project critical to the future of southeast Alaska communities. Construction of an intertie will give southeast Alaska access to cheap, plentiful energy afforded through a power grid linking present and future hydroelectric sites. The Southeast Conference and the U.S. Forest Service have conducted a thorough environmental and economic analysis of this project. This section authorizes such sums that may be necessary for construction of the intertie on an 80/20 Federal-local cost-share basis.

The other section establishes a program to assist the Navajo Nation. The problem here is not lack of cheap electricity. It is lack of any electricity in 18,000 structures. In this modern era, it is inconceivable that electricity is unavailable for any Americans. The Federal Government has a responsibility to ensure the welfare of Indians, and to this end the grant program established in Title VI is key to the future well-being of the Navajo Nation.

This is a solid bill. It has been worked out with Senator DASCHLE. It is his bill. It has been worked out with everybody involved, and I believe it is a bill that should be passed and sent to the President.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the bill S. 964 as passed by the Senate. However, without notice to Members, a number of other bills and language have been added to this text. Some of these may have merit; others are controversial and expensive. One matter involves an issue that is within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Commerce, not the Committee on Resources. This is not the right approach. It is not the way to do business. I do not think it is fair to Members; nor is it fair to the public.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask the chairman, and yield him time to answer this question, of how much notice have Members had to study this bill and know what is coming up in these additional titles that have been added.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. I yield to the gentleman from Alaska.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Unfortunately, the gentleman has not been here that long to recognize one thing: we try to notify everybody. Every one of the bills have had direct notification to the persons involved. The Committee on Commerce, the chairman signed off on this legislation. It directly affects his district.

Everybody that is in this bill that affects someone's district has signed off. If the gentleman believes in a representative form of government, that is the criteria. To my information, there has been nobody who has objected to these. We have been in contact with the White House. We have been in contact with Senator DASCHLE on a daily basis. We have been in contact with every Member dealing with a provision in this bill.

Now, if some staff do not like this, just keep in mind this is about representation of those people elected. It is about nothing else. This is getting into the waning hours, and if the gentleman does not want to pass this legislation, fine. It does not bother me a bit, but I have been trying to work with Senator DASCHLE, and if the gentleman does not want to vote for this bill talk to Senator DASCHLE. He asked me to do this. I am doing it for him. I am doing it for those people involved in this bill, and that is what a chairman is supposed to do.

This is not a process that we go through that takes a long period of time. One tries to get it done; notify those people who are affected; ask them whether they like it or not. If they like it, it works well, nobody objects to it, including the administration, then we do it.

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I would ask the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) if it is his understanding that Senator DASCHLE supports this bill in its entirety.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. In its entirety, he supports this bill. If he does not, I will not move it. I talked to him last week. He has been talked to every day; and if he does not support the bill, let me know now and I will bring the bill down right now.

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) for that answer. I appreciate very much his response.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) that the House suspend

the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 964, as amended.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 4148 and S. 964, the bills just debated.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alaska?

There was no objection.

#### HOURLY MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 4 p.m. tomorrow.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alaska?

There was no objection.

#### REAPPOINTMENT AS MEMBER TO COORDINATING COUNCIL ON JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, and pursuant to the provisions of section 206 of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5616), the Chair announces the Speaker's reappointment of the following member on the part of the House to the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention:

Mr. Gordon A. Martin, Roxbury, Massachusetts, to a 2-year term.

There was no objection.

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on Ways and Means.

*To the Congress of the United States:*

I transmit herewith the Annual Report of the Railroad Retirement Board

for Fiscal Year 1999, pursuant to the provisions of section 7(b)(6) of the Railroad Retirement Act and section 12(l) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, *October 17, 2000.*

#### SCIENCE SHOWS IT IS NOT SAFE

(Mr. GIBBONS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GIBBONS. Madam Speaker, this Wednesday, scientists will present a research paper on Alloy 22, the material the Department of Energy has proposed to be used for the disposal canister for spent nuclear fuel and high-level waste at Yucca Mountain, Nevada.

The DOE has based the safety of storing high-level waste at Yucca Mountain almost solely on the performance of these waste canisters, since the existing conditions at Yucca Mountain are so poor.

However, this latest research shows that the safety of the canister itself proves to be just as poor.

In fact, scientists induced significant corrosion on the Alloy 22 within only 15 days, raising serious questions whether the material would survive even the first 1,000 years in Yucca Mountain, let alone the 10,000 years needed for safe storage.

It seems that yet again that science is proving that storing high-level nuclear waste at Yucca Mountain would be a disastrous and deadly decision.

I yield back this administration's nuclear storage plan, which is obviously based on trying to put a square peg in a round hole.

Madam Speaker, I include the following advisory for the RECORD:

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR,  
AGENCY FOR NUCLEAR PROJECTS,  
*Carson City, NV,*  
ADVISORY

Scientists working for the State of Nevada will present the results of preliminary research on Alloy 22, the material the Department of Energy (DOE) has proposed to be used for the disposal canister for spent nuclear fuel and high level waste in the proposed repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. The presentation will be made to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste at their 122nd meeting Wednesday, October 18, 2000 at Two White Flint North, Room 2B3 11545, Rockville Pike, Maryland.

The Department of Energy has assigned more than 95% of the performance of Yucca Mountain to the waste packages because the existing conditions at the Yucca Mountain Site are so poor. In preliminary tests, scientists working for the State of Nevada have, within 15 days, induced significant corrosion on the Alloy 22 which raises questions whether the material will survive even the first 1,000 years in the Yucca Mountain environment. The Department of Energy has conceded that Yucca Mountain itself cannot contain the wastes and that if the metal containers fail rapidly in the Mountain's environment, DOE will be back to square one in their attempts to make Yucca Mountain

work as a repository for high level waste and spent nuclear fuel.

If you would like additional information concerning the Advisory Committee meeting or the Alloy 22 research, please contact the State of Nevada Governor's Agency for Nuclear Projects at the above phone number or address.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 1999, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LEE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. LEE addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. PALLONE addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from Hawaii (Mrs. MINK) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mrs. MINK of Hawaii addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

#### 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. UDALL of New Mexico) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. LEE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. CANADY of Florida, for 5 minutes, October 18 and 19.

Mr. SHAYS, for 5 minutes, October 18.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, for 5 minutes, October 19.

Mrs. MORELLA, for 5 minutes, October 18.

#### SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1848. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, pursuant to the provisions of

the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Denver Water Reuse project; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 2195. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, pursuant to the provisions of the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Truckee watershed reclamation project for the reclamation and reuse of water; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 2301. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, pursuant to the provisions of the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Lakehaven water reclamation project for the reclamation and reuse of water; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 2425. An act to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Bend Feed Canal Pipeline Project, Oregon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 2594. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the Mancos Water Conservancy District to use the Mancos Project facilities for impounding, storage, diverting, and carriage of non-project water for the purpose of irrigation, domestic, municipal, industrial, and any other beneficial purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 2688. An act to amend the Native American Languages Act to provide for the support of Native American Language Survival Schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

S. 2877. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct feasibility studies on water optimization in the Burnt River basin, Malheur River basin, Owyhee River basin, and Powder River basin, Oregon; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 2882. An act to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to conduct certain feasibility studies to augment water supplies for the Klamath Project, Oregon and California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 2951. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to investigate opportunities to better manage the water resources in the Salmon Creek watershed of the upper Columbia River, to the Committee on Resources.

#### JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, a joint resolution of the House of the following title:

On October 13, 2000:

H.J. Res. 111. Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 8 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, October 18, 2000, at 4 p.m.