

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. KIND) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KIND, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MALONEY of New York, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. KIND. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 33 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, March 20, 2000, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
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Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6620. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Dairy Programs, Department of Agricultural, transmitting the Department's final rule—Milk in the Southern Illinois-Eastern Missouri Marketing Area; Suspension of Certain Provisions of the Order [DA-00-02] received January 7, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6621. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Tuberculosis in Cattle and Bison; State Designations; California, Pennsylvania, and Puerto Rico [Docket No. 99-063-2] received February 8, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6622. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Livestock and Seed Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Soybean Promotion and Research: The Procedures To Request a Referendum Correction [No. LS-99-17] received January 7, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6623. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; OMB Circular A-119 [DFARS Case 99-D024] received February 8, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6624. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—List of Communities Eligible for the Sale of Flood Insurance [Docket No. FEMA-7726] received January 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

6625. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Department's final rule—List of Communities Eligible for the Sale of Flood Insurance [Docket No. FEMA-7724] received January 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

6626. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting Progress in achieving the performance goals referenced in the Prescription Drug User Fee Act of 1992 (PDUFA), pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 379g nt.; to the Committee on Commerce.

6627. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medical Devices; Exemptions From Pre-market Notification; Class II Devices; Vascular Tunnelers [Docket No. 99P-4064] received March 8, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6628. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medical Devices; Exemption From Pre-market Notification and Reserved Devices; Class I [Docket No. 98N-0009] received January 24, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6629. A letter from the Special Assistant to Bureau Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Creation of Low Power Radio Service [MM Docket No. 99-25 RM-9208 RM-9242] received February 11, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6630. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: NAC-MPC Addition (RIN: 3150-AG 37) received March 8, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6631. A letter from the Administrator, Agency For International Development, transmitting a report on the funds appropriated by the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2000; to the Committee on International Relations.

6632. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting the annual report for Fiscal Year 1999 and 2000 on Foreign Policy Export Controls; to the Committee on International Relations.

6633. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Procurement List Additions—received January 24, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6634. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Procurement List Additions and Deletions—received March 8, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6635. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule—Prevailing Rate Systems; Changes in Federal Wage System Survey Jobs (RIN: 3206-AH81) received January 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6636. A letter from the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Potomac Electric Power Company, transmitting the Balance Sheet of Potomac Electric Power Company as of December 31, 1999; to the Committee on Government Reform.

6637. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Fishing Vessels Greater Than 99 feet LOA

Catching Pollock for Processing by the Inshore Component Independently of a Cooperative in the Bering Sea [Docket No. 99991223349-9349-01; I.D. 012800D] received February 8, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

6638. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Spiny Dogfish Fishery Management Plan [Docket No. 990713189-9335-02; I.D. 060899B] (RIN: 0648-AK79) received January 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

6639. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—American Lobster Fishery [Docket No. 990105002-9285-03; I.D. 110598D] (RIN: 0648-AH41) received January 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

6640. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; Hawaii-based Pelagic Longline Area Closure [Docket No. 991221344-9344-01; I.D. 121099A] (RIN: 0648-AN44) received January 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

6641. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fraser River Sockeye and Pink Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Orders [I.D. 111099A] received January 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

6642. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Labor, transmitting the fifteenth annual report on trade and employment effects of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2705; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6643. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Pre-Filing Agreements Pilot Program [Notice 2000-12] received February 11, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6644. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Remedial Amendment Period [TD 8871] (RIN: 1545-AV22) received February 8, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6645. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—General Rules for Making and Maintaining Qualified Electing Fund Elections [TD 8870] (RIN: 1545-AV39) received February 8, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6646. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Travel and Tour Activities of Tax-Exempt Organizations [TD 8874] (RIN: 1545-AW10) received February 8, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6647. A letter from the Chairman, United States International Trade Commission, transmitting the Department's sixth report on the impact of the Andean Trade Preference Act, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 3204; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6648. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting an account of all Federal agency climate change

programs and activities; jointly to the Committees on Appropriations, International Relations, Science, Commerce, and 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. BLILEY: Committee on Commerce. Report of the Committee on Commerce on the Congressional Proceedings Against Dr. Miles Jones for Failure to Appear Pursuant to a Duly Authorized Subpoena (Rept. 106-527). 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. EVANS (for himself, Ms. BERKLEY, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. FILNER, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. CARSON, Mr. REYES, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. SHOWS, Mrs. MORELLA, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. LOFGREN, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Ms. WATERS, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. FROST, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. MCHUGH, and Mrs. THURMAN):

H.R. 3998. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that the rate of compensation paid by the Department of Veterans Affairs for the service-connected loss of one or both breasts due to a radical mastectomy shall be the same as the rate for the service-connected loss or loss of use of one or more creative organs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska (for himself, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, and Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA):

H.R. 3999. A bill to clarify the process for the adoption of local constitutional self-government for the United States Virgin Islands and Guam, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. BLAGOJEVICH:

H.R. 4000. A bill to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to require ballistics testing of all firearms manufactured and all firearms in custody of Federal agencies, and to add ballistics testing to existing firearms enforcement strategies; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEWIS of Georgia (for himself and Mr. HOUGHTON):

H.R. 4001. A bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 relating to detentions and searches of travelers by the United States Customs Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BRADY of Texas (for himself, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, and Mr. BERUTER):

H.R. 4002. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to revise and improve provisions relating to famine prevention and freedom from hunger; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. WELLER (for himself, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. COYNE, Ms. DUNN, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. McNULTY, and Mr. HOUGHTON):

H.R. 4003. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the targeted area limitation on the expense deduction for environmental remediation costs and to extend

the termination date of such deduction; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. STARK, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. LARSON, Mr. ROHR-ABACHER, and Mr. WEXLER):

H.R. 4004. A bill concerning the participation of Taiwan in the World Health Organization; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

H.R. 4005. A bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to recognize a flag to be known as the National Veterans Flag as the symbol of the Nation's admiration, respect, and appreciation for the veterans of service in the Armed Forces of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. COLLINS (for himself, Mr. POMBO, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, and Mr. BARR of Georgia):

H.R. 4006. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce motor fuel excise tax rates; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mrs. CAPP, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. BONIOR, and Mr. FARR of California):

H.R. 4007. A bill to suspend exports of Alaskan North Slope crude oil until the President determines that the domestic economy is not experiencing a shortage of foreign crude oil or an inflationary impact due to the demand for foreign crude oil; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Resources, 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. DEGETTE (for herself and Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 4008. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to addressing the special needs of children regarding organ transplantation; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Ms. DEGETTE:

H.R. 4009. A bill to ban the import of large capacity ammunition feeding devices, to promote the safe storage and use of handguns by consumers, and to extend Brady background checks to gun shows; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA:

H.R. 4010. A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. GANSKE (for himself, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. EVANS, Mr. LEACH, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. MINGE, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. TERRY, Mr. PHELPS, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. WELLER, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. DANNER, Mr. EWING, Mr. UPTON, Mr. THUNE, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. VENTO, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. SOUDER, and Mr. STRICKLAND):

H.R. 4011. A bill to amend section 211 of the Clean Air Act to prohibit the use of MTBE, to provide flexibility within the oxygenate requirement of the Environmental Protection Agency's Reformulated Gasoline Program, to promote the use of renewable ethanol, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. KANJORSKI (for himself, Mr. HORN, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. KUCINICH, and Mr. HINCHEY):

H.R. 4012. A bill to assure quality construction and prevent certain abusive contracting practices by requiring each bidder for a Federal construction contract to identify the

subcontractors that the contractor intends to use to perform the contract, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. KIND (for himself, Mr. LEACH, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. MINGE, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. EVANS, Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. LUTHER, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. VENTO):

H.R. 4013. A bill to establish a cooperative effort of the Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Interior to reduce sediment and nutrient loss in the Upper Mississippi River Basin; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Resources, 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. LEVIN:

H.R. 4014. A bill to provide for inter-regional primary elections and causes for selection of delegates to political party Presidential nominating conventions; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey):

H.R. 4015. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for Alzheimer's clinical research and training awards; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey):

H.R. 4016. A bill to direct the Medicare Payment Advisory Committee to conduct a study on reimbursement rates for physicians under the Medicare Program for diagnosis, treatment, and management of Alzheimer's disease; 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. METCALF:

H.R. 4017. A bill to reimpose the prohibition on the export of Alaskan North Slope crude oil; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Resources, 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. NETHERCUTT (for himself and Mr. LATHAM):

H.R. 4018. A bill to amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to establish an educational program to improve the risk management skills of agricultural producers; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. PICKERING (for himself, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. KLINK, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, and Mr. FOSSELLA):

H.R. 4019. A bill to place certain constraints and limitations on the authority of the Federal Communications Commission to review mergers and to impose conditions on licenses and other authorizations assigned or transferred in the course of mergers or other transactions; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. RADANOVICH:

H.R. 4020. A bill to authorize an expansion of the boundaries of Sequoia National Park to include Dillonwood Giant Sequoia Grove; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. RADANOVICH (for himself, Mr. THOMAS, and Mr. DOOLEY of California):

H.R. 4021. A bill to authorize a study to determine the best scientific method for the