

I think we can do it, but in order for us to do it, we have to stand up on the line. We have to come out of the foxhole. Somebody has got to be the first one out of the foxhole. To that end, I give credit to the President of the United States. He has taken a lot of heat in these last 3 or 4 weeks or maybe the last 2 or 3 months. Well, he has not been in office 3 months but a couple of months, and he has taken a lot of heat because he stood up and said we need an energy policy and, God forbid, we are going to need to explore for oil; and gosh darn, sorry about this but we are going to have to have an ability to move natural gas from one end of the country to the other end of the country.

Those are tough stands to take in a society that has become pretty used to the fact that they get the energy they need without having a generation facility inside of their home or inside of their community or even within the boundaries of their State. Times are changing.

Is it not Bob Dillon that said, times are changing? That is what is happening. Times are changing in our defense strategy and times are changing in our energy strategy. We have to pay attention to defense and we have to pay attention to energy. We have to pay attention to health care. We have to pay attention to education. Times are changing, and energy is not exempt from the change of time. Energy is not exempt from continuing demand with diminishing supply. You cannot have or continue to have diminishing supply with continuing upgrade in demand without a mid-air collision.

That is exactly what happened in California, kind of. That is exactly what is going to happen in California this summer. We are going to have a mid-air collision. Maybe we can avoid it. We probably cannot.

Let me wrap up my comments here in regards to energy by saying to all of us, especially to my colleagues from California, I have been particularly harsh this evening about what has gone on in the State of California but I am not about to abandon the State of California. You are important to us. We are important to you. But it does mean you are going to have to change your habits. It does mean that you are going to have to start to conserve. It does mean that you are going to have to stand up and tell your consumers out there that they are not going to be able to enjoy artificially low prices. They are going to have to pay.

When you have disruptions in the market you do not get the product you want, and disruptions are in the market when you artificially subsidize prices. That is what has happened out there. So we want to help our colleagues from California but for the rest of us, in our States that do not face this imminent energy crisis, we better watch out because one of these days that nasty wolf will be knocking on our door. So let us learn from the les-

sons of California. Let us figure out conservation methods that really work. Let us figure out where in a reasonable and responsible environmental fashion we can explore for additional resources for energy. We have to do it.

Let us be frank when we talk to our constituents and let them know, hey, we have to build power plants. We are going to have to have resources to do that. You are no longer going to be able to enjoy the luxury perhaps of having every room at 70 degrees. Times, they are changing. It is going to happen to us just like it has happened in California.

Let me just summarize my earlier comments in regards to the missile defense. We have left energy now. Let me just summarize my comments. It is an inherent responsibility of every Member of Congress to provide a national defense not only for the people currently here today, our generation and maybe the one behind us, but for the future generations. It is an undeniable fact that countries will continue to accumulate nuclear weapons and the capability to deliver them by missile. That is undeniable. The only way that you will be able to defend yourself against those type of horrible weapons is to have a missile shield of some type. Do not kid yourself. You are not going to be able to talk these countries out of disarming themselves. You are not going to be able, as the previous administration did or thought they could, bribe North Korea by sending them lots of oil, which by the way goes right to their military; or give them millions of dollars in foreign aid and expect these countries, on my word we are going to disassemble our nuclear weapons.

The fact is our country is going to have to disassemble nuclear weapons and any of you, by the way, who are opposed to nuclear weapons, you ought to be in support of this defensive shield. Why? There is no quicker way to make a nuclear weapon ineffective than have a shield against it. It works. We know it. You cannot disassemble a nuclear missile fast enough as you can with a missile shield once we put it in place. It makes them ineffective. That is what will break the nuclear arms race. Mark my word, that is what will break that race is the first country that is a major power that comes out with a shield that itself and their allies can use to defend themselves, that will break the nuclear arms race as we know it today in the world.

I intend to come back, I want to visit I hope later this week, certainly next week, and talk a little more about the issue of the death tax and what it has done to a lot of families in America. It looks like we are close to a tax agreement. This afternoon they have been down at the White House, Mr. Speaker, working with the administration. I hope we come together on that. I hope as we begin to put our budget together for this next year that we refrain from comments as were made in the previous speech prior to my coming up

here, refrain from the comments that the administration, for example, has turned their back on the elderly or that they do not care about education or they do not care about this or they do not care about that.

They care about it. As I mentioned earlier, I think everybody on this floor, no matter how liberal their politics are, how conservative their politics are, I think everybody on this floor, everybody on this floor cares about education; they care about the elderly; they care about health care; they care about defense. I have a list a half a mile long that we care about. Let us work together as a team. I think we can do it.

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

Mr. BONIOR, for 5 minutes, today.
 Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. KUCINICH, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, for 5 minutes, today.
 Ms. DELAURO, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. ACEVEDO-VILÁ for 5 minutes, today.
 Ms. LEE, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. PAYNE, for 5 minutes, today.
 Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today and May 2 and May 3.
 Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. NUSSLE, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. HERGER, for 5 minutes, on May 2.
 Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. PLATTS, for 5 minutes, on May 2.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 560. An act for the relief of Rita Mirembe Revell (a.k.a. Margaret Rita Mirembe); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. Trandahl, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 256.—To extend for 11 additional months the period for which chapter 12 of

title 11 of the United States Code is reenacted. Referred to the Judiciary Jan. 30, 2001. Reported Feb. 26, 2001; Rept. 107-2. Union Calendar. Rules suspended. Passed House Feb. 28, 2001; Roll No. 17: 408-2. Received in Senate Mar. 1, 2001. Passed Senate Apr. 26, 2001.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 58 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, May 2, 2001, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1652. A letter from the Secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2000 Annual Program Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1653. A letter from the Secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission, transmitting the Commission's revised Annual Performance Plan for FY 2002; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1654. A letter from the Chairman, Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting the Annual Program Performance Report on the FY 2000 Performance Plan; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1655. A letter from the Staff Director, Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting the Commission's FY 2000 Government Performance and Results Act Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1656. A letter from the Acting Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2000 Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1657. A letter from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting the Board's Performance Report for FY 2000; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1658. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the 6-month report in compliance with the Inspector General Act of 1988, pursuant to 5 app; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1659. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's FY 2002 Performance Plan and FY 2000 Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1660. A letter from the Inspector General, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting the Office of Inspector General's Strategic Plan for 2001-2006; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1661. A letter from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting the FY 2002 Performance Plan and FY 2000 Annual Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1662. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2000 Annual Program Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1663. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting the FY 2000 Annual Program Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1664. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2002 Final Annual Performance Plan; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1665. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2000 Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1666. A letter from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting the Office's Performance and Accountability report for FY 2000 and Performance Plan for FY 2002; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1667. A letter from the Acting Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's FY 2000 Annual Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1668. A letter from the Director, Holocaust Memorial Museum, transmitting the FY 2000 Annual Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1669. A letter from the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting the Board's FY 2001-FY 2006 Strategic Plan and FY 2002 Performance Plan; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1670. A letter from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's FY 2000 Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1671. A letter from the Chairman and the Acting General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting the Board's FY 2000 Annual Program Performance Report and the FY 2002 Annual Performance Plan; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1672. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2002 Budget Estimates and Performance Plan; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1673. A letter from the Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, transmitting the FY 2000 Performance Report and FY 2002 Performance Plan; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1674. A letter from the Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, transmitting the Counsel's FY 2000 Annual Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1675. A letter from the Chairman, Tennessee Valley Authority, transmitting the FY 2000 Annual Program Performance Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1676. A letter from the Acting Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting the Agency's FY 2000 Performance Overview Report; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1677. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a letter in support of legislation to extend the window created under section 245 (i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act during which qualified immigrants may obtain legal residence in the United States without being forced to first leave the country and their families for several years; (H. Doc. No. 107-62); to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed.

1678. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's Twenty-Third Annual Report to Congress pursuant to section 7A of the Clayton Act, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 18a(j); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1679. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the seventh annual report entitled, "Monitoring the Impact of Medicare Physician Payment Reform on Utilization and Access"; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

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. THOMAS: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 10. A bill to provide for pension reform, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 107-51 Pt. 1).

Mr. BOEHNER: Committee on Education and the Workforce. H.R. 10. A bill to provide for pension reform, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 107-51 Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. REYNOLDS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 127. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 10) to provide for pension reform, and for other purposes (Rept. 107-53). Referred to the House Calendar.

REPORTED BILLS SEQUENTIALLY REFERRED

Under clause 2 of rule XII, bills and reports were delivered to the Clerk for printing, and bills referred as follows:

Mr. OXLEY: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 1088. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to reduce fees collected by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and for other purposes, with an amendment; referred to the Committee on Government Reform for a period ending not later than May 2, 2001, for consideration of such provisions of the bill and amendment as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(h), rule X. (Rept. 107-52, Pt. 1).

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BARTON of Texas:

H.R. 1647. A bill to provide for electricity emergencies; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. UPTON (for himself and Mr. TOWNS):

H.R. 1648. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to assure access to covered emergency hospital services and emergency ambulance services under a prudent layperson test under group health plans and health insurance coverage; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, and 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. ANDREWS (for himself and Mr. KUCINICH):

H.R. 1649. A bill to provide grants to States to establish, expand, or enhance prekindergarten programs for children who are not yet enrolled in kindergarten; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. KILDEE, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. SCOTT, and Mrs. DAVIS of California):