

National Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 20-25, 2000, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 118 and 44 U.S.C. 1332; (H. Doc. No. 107-88); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and ordered to be printed.

2520. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Weighted Average Interest Rate Update [Notice 2001-36] received June 11, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2521. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a Report on Proposed Obligations for Weapons Destruction and Non-Proliferation in the Former Soviet Union; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and International Relations.

2522. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting a report authorizing the transfer of up to \$100M in defense articles and services to the Government of Bosnia-Herzegovina, pursuant to Public Law 104-107, section 540(c) (110 Stat. 736); jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations.

2523. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medicare Program; Provisions of the Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000; Inpatient Payments and Rates and Costs of Graduate Medical Education [HCFA-1178-IFC] (RIN: 0938-AK74) received June 14, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); 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. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 169. A bill to require that Federal agencies be accountable for violations of antidiscrimination and whistleblower protection laws, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 107-101 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

#### PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CANNON:

H.R. 2171. A bill to require that the Bureau of the Census prepare and submit to Congress a detailed plan for counting overseas Americans in future decennial censuses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. GREENWOOD (for himself, Mr. WOLF, Mr. OWENS, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. PALLONE, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. GILLMOR, and Ms. DEGETTE):

H.R. 2172. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to the cloning of humans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. MCGOVERN (for himself, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. ROSS, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. SHOWS, Ms. MCKINNEY, and Mr. LANGEVIN):

H.R. 2173. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to health

professions programs regarding the practice of pharmacy; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CALVERT (for himself, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mrs. MORELLA, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. BACA, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. HALL of Texas, and Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California):

H.R. 2174. A bill to reauthorize and amend the Spark M. Matsunaga Hydrogen Research, Development, and Demonstration Act of 1990, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science.

By Mr. CHABOT (for himself, Mrs. MYRICK, Ms. HART, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. WELLER, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. WOLF, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. BAKER, Mr. PHELPS, Mr. MICA, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. TIBERI, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. WAMP, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. RILEY, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. PAUL, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. VITTER, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. TERRY, Mr. HAYES, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. KELLER, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. POMBO, Mr. CAMP, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. PITTS, Mr. HYDE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CRANE, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. PENCE, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. WICKER, Mr. AKIN, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. DELAY, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. GRAVES, Mr. CANNON, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. NEY, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mrs. EMERSON, and Mr. KING):

H.R. 2175. A bill to protect infants who are born alive; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAIRD (for himself and Mr. ANDREWS):

H.R. 2176. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide disaster relief for homeowners; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CALVERT (for himself, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BACA, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. REHBERG, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. REYES, and Mrs. CAPPS):

H.R. 2177. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage the timely development of a more cost effective United States commercial space transportation industry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. STARK, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. COYNE, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. BENTSEN, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. JEFFERSON, and Mr. WAXMAN):

H.R. 2178. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for comprehensive financing for graduate medical education; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provi-

sions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. DAVIS of California:

H.R. 2179. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a refundable credit for expenditures for renewable energy property; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia (for himself, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Mr. SWEENEY, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. LINDER, Mr. FERGUSON, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. SCHROCK, Mrs. BONO, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. GRUCCI, Mr. TERRY, and Mr. DOYLE):

H.R. 2180. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to grant the Secretary of Health and Human Services the authority to regulate tobacco products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DeFAZIO (for himself, Mr. NORWOOD, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. BOYD, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ROSS, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. KUCINICH, and Ms. DeGETTE):

H.R. 2181. A bill to impose certain restrictions on imports of softwood lumber products of Canada; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DOYLE (for himself, Mr. EVANS, Mr. WYNN, Mr. BALDACCIO, and Mr. COYNE):

H.R. 2182. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise the computation of retirement annuities for part-time employment by persons employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs under that title; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. ENGEL:

H.R. 2183. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to allow public water systems to avoid filtration requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ENGEL (for himself, Mr. TERRY, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. SANDERS, and Ms. MCKINNEY):

H.R. 2184. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the energy credit to include investment in property which produces energy from certain renewable sources and expenditures for cool roofing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and 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. GOODLATTE (for himself, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Ms. HART, Mr. COOKSEY, and Mrs. EMERSON):

H.R. 2185. A bill to amend the Food Stamp Act of 1977 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to purchase additional commodities for distribution, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. GOODLATTE:

H.R. 2186. A bill to amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act to ensure that States and local governments can quickly and safely remove flood debris so as to reduce the risk and severity of subsequent flooding; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. HEFLEY (for himself, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. MCINNIS):

H.R. 2187. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to make receipts collected from mineral leasing activities on certain naval oil shale reserves available to cover environmental restoration, waste management, and environmental compliance costs incurred by the United States with respect to the reserves; to the Committee on Resources, and

in addition to the Committee on Energy and 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. HERGER:

H.R. 2188. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to permit States to allow the issuance of vouchers to older individuals to obtain nutrition services provided under such Act; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut (for herself, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. SCHROCK, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. WICKER, Mr. VITTER, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. PICKERING, and Mr. SHOWS):

H.R. 2189. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the use of completed contract method of accounting in the case of certain long-term naval vessel construction contracts; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri (for herself, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, and Mr. BLUNT):

H.R. 2190. A bill to reauthorize and revise the Renewable Energy Production Incentive program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. MCCRERY:

H.R. 2191. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-methyl imidazole; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCCRERY:

H.R. 2192. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on hydroxylamine free base; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCCRERY:

H.R. 2193. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on prenol; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCCRERY:

H.R. 2194. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1-methyl imidazole; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCCRERY:

H.R. 2195. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on formamide; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCCRERY:

H.R. 2196. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Michler's ethyl ketone; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCCRERY:

H.R. 2197. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on vinyl imidazole; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. OLVER, Mr. STARK, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. BALDACC, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. ESHOO, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. SANDLIN, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. BONIOR, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. FRANK, Ms. RIVERS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. SOLIS, and Ms. CARSON of Indiana):

H.R. 2198. A bill to meet the mental health and substance abuse treatment needs of incarcerated children and youth; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and 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. NORTON:

H.R. 2199. A bill to amend the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 to permit any Federal law enforcement agency to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia to assist the Department in carrying out crime prevention and law enforcement activities in the District of Columbia if deemed appropriate by the Chief of the Department and the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. NUSSLE:

H.R. 2200. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit financial institutions to determine their interest expense deduction without regard to tax-exempt bonds issued to provide certain small loans for health care or educational purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota:

H.R. 2201. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, Section 1114 to increase the compensation for disabled veterans who require aid and attendance; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. REHBERG:

H.R. 2202. A bill to convey the Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Project, the Savage Unit of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, and the Intake Irrigation Project to the pertinent irrigation districts; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. REYES (for himself and Mr. THORNBERRY):

H.R. 2203. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize disability retirement to be granted posthumously for members of the Armed Forces who die in the line of duty while on active duty, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. RUSH:

H.R. 2204. A bill to establish a Consumer Energy Commission to assess and provide recommendations regarding recent energy price spikes from the perspective of consumers; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. SIMMONS:

H.R. 2205. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to promote the cooperation of Amtrak with local governments in the implementation of activities to enhance railroad property and structures; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. TERRY (for himself, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. GRAVES, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. MCKINNEY, and Mr. WU):

H.R. 2206. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for certain energy efficient property placed in service or installed in an existing principal residence or property used by businesses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. THURMAN:

H.R. 2207. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the volume cap for private activity bonds shall not apply to bonds for water and sewage facilities; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WATT of North Carolina (for himself, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. FRANK):

H.R. 2208. A bill to amend the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 to require

the payment of interest on escrow and impoundment accounts established for the payment of taxes and fire and hazard insurance premiums on property securing a federally related mortgage loan; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. ISAKSON:

H. Con. Res. 161. Concurrent resolution honoring the 19 United States servicemen who died in the terrorist bombing of the Khobar Towers in Saudi Arabia on June 25, 1996; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. KNOLLENBERG (for himself, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. SWEENEY):

H. Con. Res. 162. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding oil and gas pipeline routes in the South Caucasus; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma (for himself and Mr. DAVIS of Illinois):

H. Con. Res. 163. Concurrent resolution recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day and expressing the sense of Congress that history be regarded as a means of understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (for herself, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. REYES, Mr. EVANS, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. TURNER, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. DELAY, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. FROST, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas):

H. Res. 166. A resolution recognizing the outstanding and invaluable disaster relief assistance provided by individuals, organizations, businesses, and other entities to the people of Houston, Texas, and surrounding areas during the devastating flooding caused by tropical storm Allison; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. CARSON of Indiana (for herself, Mr. BISHOP, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CLAY, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. LEE, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. WATSON, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, and Mr. WYNN):

H. Res. 167. A resolution encouraging and promoting greater involvement of fathers in their children's lives, especially on Father's Day; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

## MEMORIALS

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

109. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, relative to a Resolution memorializing the United States Congress to and the Department of Agriculture to grant a wavier for Agramarke Quality Grains, Inc. for development in St. Joseph, Missouri, to allow Agramarke to qualify for rural development economic incentive programs; to the Committee on Agriculture.

110. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 64 memorializing