

(B) Subcommittee on Benefits, which shall have legislative, oversight and investigative jurisdiction over compensation, general and special pensions of all the wars of the United States, life insurance issued by the Government on account of service in the Armed Forces, cemeteries of the United States in which veterans of any war or conflict are or may be buried, whether in the United States or abroad, except cemeteries administered by the Secretary of the Interior, burial benefits, education of veterans, vocational rehabilitation, veterans' housing programs, readjustment of servicemen to civilian life, and soldiers' and sailors' civil relief.

(C) Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, which shall have authority over matters that are referred to the subcommittee by the Chairman of the full Committee for investigation and appropriate recommendations. Provided, however, That the operations of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations shall in no way limit the responsibility of the other subcommittees on the Committee on Veterans' Affairs for carrying out their oversight duties. This subcommittee shall not have legislative jurisdiction and no bills or resolutions shall be referred to it.

In addition, each subcommittee shall have responsibility for such other measures or matters as the Chairman refers to it.

(2) Any vacancy in the membership of a subcommittee shall not affect the power of the remaining members to execute the functions of that subcommittee.

Referral to Subcommittees

(b)(1) The Chairman of the Committee may refer a measure or matter, which is within the general responsibility of more than one of the subcommittees of the Committee, as the Chairman deems appropriate.

(2) In referring any measure or matter to a subcommittee, the Chairman of the Committee may specify a date by which the subcommittee shall report thereon to the Committee.

Powers and Duties

(c)(1) Each subcommittee is authorized to meet, hold hearings, receive evidence, and report to the full Committee on all matters referred to it or under its jurisdiction. Subcommittee chairmen shall set dates for hearings and meetings of their respective subcommittees after consultation with the Chairman of the Committee and other subcommittee chairmen with a view toward avoiding simultaneous scheduling of Committee and subcommittee meetings or hearings whenever possible.

(2) Whenever a subcommittee has ordered a bill, resolution, or other matter to be reported to the Committee, the Chairman of the subcommittee reporting the bill, resolution, or matter to the full Committee, or any member authorized by the subcommittee to do so shall notify the Chairman and the ranking minority party member of the Committee of the Subcommittee's action.

(3) A member of the Committee who is not a member of a particular subcommittee may sit with the subcommittee during any of its meetings and hearings, but shall not have authority to vote, cannot be counted for a quorum, and cannot raise a point of order at the meeting or hearing.

(4) Each subcommittee of the Committee shall provide the Committee with copies of such records of votes taken in the subcommittee and such other records with respect to the subcommittee as the Chairman of the Committee deems necessary for the Committee to comply with all rules and regulations of the House.

RULE 5—TRANSCRIPTS AND RECORDS

(a)(1) There shall be a transcript made of each regular and additional meeting and

hearing of the Committee and its subcommittees. Any such transcript shall be a substantially verbatim account of remarks actually made during the proceedings, subject only to technical, grammatical, and typographical corrections authorized by the person making the remarks involved.

(2) The Committee shall keep a record of all actions of the Committee and each of its subcommittees. The record shall contain all information required by clause 2(e)(1) of House rule XI and shall be available for public inspection at reasonable times in the offices of the Committee.

(3) The records of the Committee at the National Archives and Records Administration shall be made available for public use in accordance with House rule VII. The Chairman shall notify the ranking minority member of any decision, pursuant to clause 3(b)(3) or clause 4(b) of the rule, to withhold a record otherwise available, and the matter shall be presented to the Committee for a determination on written request of any member of the Committee.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. GIBBONS (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today on account of official business.

Mr. TERRY (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today on account of official business.

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

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SHERMAN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GREEN of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WU, for 5 minutes, today.

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

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

Mr. MILLER of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FOLEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. COMBEST, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. HORN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at the request of Mr. OWENS) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. NUSSLE, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 5 p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, March 1, 2001, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1023. A letter from the Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense, transmitting the National Defense Stockpile Annual Materials Plan (AMP) for fiscal year 2002 and revisions to the fiscal year 2001 AMP, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 98d; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1024. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's report entitled, "Use Of Plain Language In FDIC Rulemakings Pursuant To Section 722 Of The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999"; to the Committee on Financial Services.

1025. A letter from the Deputy Executive Secretary to the Department, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule—Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information (RIN: 0991-AB08) received February 13, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

1026. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Notification of justification of defense articles, services, and military education and training furnished under section 506 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance to countries that participated in the Economic Community of West Africa States' Peacekeeping Force (ECOMOG), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2318(b)(2); to the Committee on International Relations.

1027. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Notification of justification of defense articles, services, and military education and training furnished under section 506 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to Mexico, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2318(b)(2); to the Committee on International Relations.

1028. A letter from the Auditor, District of Columbia, transmitting a report entitled, "Fiscal Year 1999 Annual Report on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions," pursuant to D.C. Code section 47—117(d); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1029. A letter from the Secretary, Mississippi River Commission, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act covering the calendar year 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1030. A letter from the Chairman, Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, transmitting the 2000 Annual Report of the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 715b; to the Committee on Resources.

1031. A letter from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Track Safety Standards: Delay of Effective Date [Docket No. RST-90-1, Notice No. 13] (RIN: 2130-AB32) received February 2, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1032. A letter from the Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Rolladen Schneider Flugzeugbau GmbH Models LS 4 and LS 4a Sailplanes [Docket No. 99-CE-75-AD; Amendment 39-12081; AD 2001-01-11] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 12, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1033. A letter from the Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Short Brothers Model SD3-60 SHERPA, SD3 SHERPA, SD3-30, and SD3-60 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 99-NM-226-AD; Amendment 39-12092; AD 2001-02-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 12, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1034. A letter from the Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc. Model 214B and 214B-1 Helicopters [Docket No. 2000-SW-56-AD; Amendment 39-12104; AD 2001-03-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 15, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1035. A letter from the Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 30231; Amdt. No. 427] received February 15, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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. SESSIONS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 71. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 333) to amend title 11, United States Code, and for other purposes (Rept. 107-4). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. THOMAS:

H.R. 3. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce individual income tax rates; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SMITH of Texas (for himself and Mr. FRANK):

H.R. 768. A bill to amend the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 to make permanent the favorable treatment of need-based educational aid under the antitrust laws; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FLETCHER (for himself, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. GOODE, Mr. HAYES, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. GORDON, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, and Mrs. CLAYTON):

H.R. 769. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income payments made to tobacco quota and allotment holders and tobacco growers pursuant to Phase I or II of the Master Settle-

ment Agreement between a State and tobacco product manufacturers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. SHAYS, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. LEACH, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. BASS, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. WU, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. BALDACCIO, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. EVANS, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WEINER, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. BARRETT, Mr. HOEFFEL, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. NADLER, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. FRANK, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. OLVER, Mr. KLECZKA, Mrs. CAPPS, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. LEE, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LUTHER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DEFazio, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. COYNE, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. STARK, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. FILNER, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. MOORE, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Ms. NORTON, Mr. SABO, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LANTOS, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. ANDREWS, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. OBEY, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. HOLT, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Ms. CARSON of Indiana, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. SCOTT, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. CROWLEY, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. RUSH, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. PHELPS, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. SNYDER, and Mr. JACKSON of Illinois):

H.R. 770. A bill to preserve the Arctic coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska, as wilderness in recognition of its extraordinary natural ecosystems and for the permanent good of present and future generations of Americans; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. BLAGOJEVICH:

H.R. 771. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to authorize grants to States for the construction, repair, renovation, and modernization of public school facilities, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the tax incentives for such undertakings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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 Mrs. CAPPS:

H.R. 772. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a program to identify and mentor college eligible high school students and their parents or legal guardians, and for

other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. STARK, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. MCDERMOTT):

H.R. 773. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that a part-time worker who otherwise meets the eligibility requirements for unemployment compensation not be precluded from receiving such compensation solely because such individual is seeking only part-time work; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CRANE (for himself, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. PAUL, Mr. HERGER, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. WATKINS):

H.R. 774. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to waive the income inclusion on a distribution from an individual retirement account to the extent that the distribution is contributed for charitable purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HOYER (for himself, Mr. HORN, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. FROST, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. REYES, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. BACA, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. BENTSEN, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. BOYD, Mr. CARSON of Oklahoma, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. FORD, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. GORDON, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HILL, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. HOLT, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. LEE, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MATHESON, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MOORE, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. ROSS, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUSH, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. WYNN):

H.R. 775. A bill to establish a program to provide funds to State and local governments to replace punch card voting systems, to establish the Election Administration Commission to make grants to State and local governments to assist in the administration of Federal elections, to develop a model election code, and otherwise provide assistance with the administration of certain Federal election laws and programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Government Reform, 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. CRANE (for himself, Mr. PAUL, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. WATKINS):

H.R. 776. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt the deduction for charitable contributions from the phase-out of itemized deductions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CRANE (for himself, Mr. BACCIA, Mr. PAUL, Mr. HERGER, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. HEFLEY, and Mr. WATKINS):