

this money here and let us give it back to the people who were hurt so badly, that caused the prices to go up and resulted in no price supports and very low farm payments that has resulted in the \$5 billion shortfall.

One of the solutions that many people have advocated is that we simply take the money out of the new farm bill, and my hypothesis here and the reason I am appearing on the floor tonight is to explain to people that this is something that absolutely cannot happen. We have shown earlier that the new farm bill does not appear to be more expensive than what we were doing. It seems to be more accountable. It provides a better safety net, and the other thing to remember is that there is an 80 percent increase in conservation payments. Most environmentalists, most people in cities, most people around the country would say, yeah, we need to protect our environment, and the farm bill does this.

The other thing that is in the farm bill that we did not want to see attacked is rural economic development. We are losing young people at a tremendous rate in rural America. They are simply leaving and they are not coming back. If we do not do something to diversify the economy, if we do not do something to shore up our rural areas and to build up our small towns and to bring in broadband services where they can have high speed Internet access, we are simply going to have a more and more difficult time and we are going to unravel more and more.

We think this is a responsible solution. It does not break the budget because we are not talking about spending money over and above what we thought we were going to spend in the first place. The House has a budget. The House has to stay with a budget. The other body does not have a budget; therefore, they can propose whatever they want to and then ask the President to pass it or veto it. In our case, we have to stay within the budget. In this case, we feel that we are staying within the budget, and we think it is the best thing for agriculture. We think it is the best thing for the country because it is not in the national interest to see a bunch of farmers and ranchers go out of business because of the draught.

Mr. Speaker, I conclude my remarks and we certainly urge consideration for those farmers and ranchers out there who are struggling with drought. We hope some disaster assistance will be forthcoming, and we certainly hope that my colleagues here on the floor of the House will see fit to help them out in the near future.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. CARSON of Indiana (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today and the balance of the week on account of official business in the district.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today and the balance of the week on account of illness.

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today and the balance of the week on account of a family emergency.

Ms. BALDWIN (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of a flight delay.

Mrs. BONO (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today and the balance of the week on account of family reasons.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today and the balance of the week on account of illness in the family.

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. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. DAVIS of California, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. CLAYTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. PAUL, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MORAN of Kansas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HORN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. NUSSLE, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

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

S. 691. An act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Nevada, to the Secretary of the Interior, in trust for the Washoe Indian Tribe of Nevada and California, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 1010. An act to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of North Carolina, to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 1227. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Niagara Falls National Heritage Area in the State of New York, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 1240. An act to provide for the acquisition of land and construction of an interagency administrative and visitor facility at the entrance to American Fork Canyon, Utah, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 1325. An act to ratify an agreement between the Aleut Corporation and the United States of America to exchange land rights

received under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act for certain land interests on Adak Island, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Resources and the Committee on Armed Services.

S. 1339. An act to amend the Bring Them Home Alive Act of 2000 to provide an asylum program with regard to American Persian Gulf War POW/MIAs, and for other purposes, to the Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee on International Relations.

S. 1843. An act to extend certain hydroelectric licenses in the State of Alaska, to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 1852. An act to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming, to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 1894. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the national significance of the Miami Circle site in the State of Florida as well as the suitability and feasibility of its inclusion in the National Park System as part of Biscayne National Park, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 1907. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to the city of Haines, Oregon, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 1946. An act to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Old Spanish Trail as a National Historic Trail, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 2037. An act to mobilize technology and science experts to respond quickly to the threats posed by terrorist attacks and other emergencies, by providing for the establishment of a national emergency technology guard, a technology reliability advisory board, and a center for evaluating antiterrorism and disaster response technology within the National Institute of Standards and Technology, to the Committee on Science, to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 2549. An act to ensure that child employees of traveling sales crews are protected under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

S. 2558. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the collection of data on benign brain-related tumors through the national program of cancer registries, to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. Con. Res. 137. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service should exert its best efforts to cause the Major League Baseball Players Association and the owners of the teams of Major League Baseball to enter into a contract to continue to play professional baseball games without engaging in a strike, a lockout, or any conduct that interferes with the playing of scheduled professional baseball games, to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. Trandahl, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly an enrolled bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker Pro Tempore, FRANK WOLF on August 2, 2002.

H.R. 3009. An act to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, to grant additional trade benefits under that Act, and for other purposes.

Mr. Trandahl, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which

were thereupon signed by the Speaker Pro Tempore, FRANK WOLF on August 7, 2002.

H.R. 223. An act to amend the Clear Creek County, Colorado, Public Lands Transfer Act of 1993 to provide additional time for Clear Creek County to dispose of certain lands transferred to the county under the Act.

H.R. 309. An act to provide for the determination of withholding tax rates under the Guam income tax.

H.R. 601. An act to redesignate certain lands within the Craters of the Moon National Monument, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1384. An act to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the route in Arizona and New Mexico which the Navajo and Mescalero Apache Indian tribes were forced to walk in 1863 and 1864, for study for potential addition to the National Trails System.

H.R. 1456. An act to expand the boundary of the Booker T. Washington National Monument, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1576. An act to designate the James Peak Wilderness and Protection Area in the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2068. An act to revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to public buildings, property, and works, as title 40, United States Code, "Public Buildings, Property, and Works".

H.R. 2234. An act to revise the boundary of the Tumacacori National Park in the State of Arizona.

H.R. 2440. An act to rename Wolf Trap Farm Park as "Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts", and for other purposes.

H.R. 2441. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to redesignate a facility as the National Hansen's Disease Programs Center, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2643. An act to authorize the acquisition of additional lands for inclusion in the Fort Clatsop National Memorial in the State of Oregon, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3343. An Act to amend title X of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3380. An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines within the boundary of Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on July 26, 2002 he presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill.

H.R. 3763. To protect investors by improving the accuracy and reliability of corporate disclosures made pursuant to the securities laws, and for other purposes.

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on July 30, 2002 he presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills.

H.R. 1209. To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to determine whether an alien is a child, for purpose of classification as an immediate relative, based on the age of the alien on the date the classification petition with respect to the lien is filed, and

H.R. 3487. To amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to health professions programs regarding the field of nursing.

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on August 2, 2002 he pre-

sented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill.

H.R. 3009. To extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, to grant additional trade benefits under the Act, and for other purposes.

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on August 13, 2002 he presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills.

H.R. 223. To amend the Clear Creek County, Colorado, Public Lands Transfer Act of 1993 to provide additional time for Clear Creek County to dispose of certain lands transferred to the county under the Act.

H.R. 309. To provide for the determination of withholding tax rates under the Guam income tax.

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ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 49 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, September 5, 2002, 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:

8381. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final

rule — Citrus Canker; Removal of Quarantined Area [Docket No. 02-029-2] received August 23, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8382. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Agricultural Bioterrorism Protection Act of 2002; Listing of Biological Agents and Toxins and Requirements and Procedures for Notification of Possession [Docket No. 02-082-1] (RIN: 0579-AB47) received August 23, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8383. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Microchip Implants as an Official Form of Identification for Pet Birds [Docket No. 01-023-2] received August 23, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8384. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Azoxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions [OPP-2002-0210; FRL-7195-9] received August 21, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8385. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Chlorsulfuron; Pesticide Tolerance [OPP-2002-0181; FRL-7192-9] received August 7, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8386. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Acephate, Amitraz, Carbaryl, Chlorpyrifos, Cryolite, et al.; Tolerance Revocations [OPP-2002-0155; FRL-7191-4] received July 31, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8387. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Fludioxonil; Pesticide Tolerance [OPP-2002-0158; FRL-7188-7] received July 31, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8388. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — 1-Methylcyclopropene; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [OPP-2002-0142; FRL-7187-4] received July 24, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8389. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Bifenthrin; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions [OPP-2002-0145; FRL-7187-8] received July 24, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8390. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — 2-Propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, polymer with ethyl 2-propenoate and methyl 2-methyl-2-propenoate, ammonium salt; Tolerance Exemption [OPP-2002-0148; FRL-7188-3] received August 2, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8391. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Metsulfuron Methyl; Pesticide Tolerance [OPP-2002-0160; FRL-7189-2]