

ELECTING REPRESENTATIVE BERNARD SANDERS OF VERMONT TO STANDING COMMITTEES

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, I offer a separate privileged resolution (H. Res. 13) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 13

*Resolved*, That the following named Member be and is hereby elected to the following standing committees:

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Bernard Sanders of Vermont.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Bernard Sanders of Vermont.

Mr. FAZIO of California (during the reading). Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be considered as read and printed in the RECORD.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mrs. JACKSON-LEE. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall 3 I am recorded as not voting because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

I ask unanimous consent that this statement appear in the RECORD immediately following that vote.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Texas?

There was no objection.

APPOINTMENT AS MEMBERS OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PAGE BOARD

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 127 of Public Law 97-377, the Chair appoints as members of the House of Representatives page board the following Members of the House: Mr. EMERSON of Missouri, and Mr. KOLBE of Arizona.

APPOINTMENT AS MEMBERS OF HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING COMMISSION

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to the provisions of 40 U.S.C., 175 and 176, the Chair appoints the gentleman from Texas, [Mr. ARMEY], as a member of the House Office Building Commission, to serve with himself and the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. GEPHARDT].

APPOINTMENT AS MEMBERS OF THE PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Pursuant to the provisions of clause 1 of rule 48 and clause 6(f) of rule 10, the Chair appoints as Members of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence the following Members of the House:

Mr. COMBEST, of Texas, Chairman;  
Mr. DORNAN, of California;  
Mr. YOUNG, of Florida;  
Mr. HANSEN, of Utah;  
Mr. LEWIS, of California;  
Mr. GOSS, of Florida;  
Mr. SHUSTER, of Pennsylvania;  
Mr. MCCOLLUM of Florida;  
Mr. CASTLE of Delaware;  
Mr. DICKS of Washington;  
Mr. RICHARDSON, of New Mexico;  
Mr. DIXON of California;  
Mr. TORRICELLI, of New Jersey;  
Mr. COLEMAN of Texas;  
Ms. PELOSI, of California; and  
Mr. LAUGHLIN, of Texas.

POLICIES OF THE CHAIR

The SPEAKER. The Chair customarily takes this occasion on the opening day of a Congress to announce his policies with respect to particular aspects of the legislative process. The Chair will insert in the RECORD announcements by the Speaker concerning: first, privileges of the floor; second, the introduction of bills and resolutions; third, unanimous consent requests for the consideration of bills and resolutions; fourth, recognition for 1-minute speeches and special orders; fifth, decorum in debate; sixth, the conduct of votes by electronic device; and seventh, requests for leave of committees to sit during the 5-minute rule.

These announcements, where appropriate, will reiterate the origins of the stated policies. The Speaker intends to continue in the 104th Congress the policies reflected in these statements. The policy announced in Congresses prior to the 103d Congress with respect to requests for committees to sit during the 5-minute rule is once again pertinent. The policy announced in the 102d Congress with respect to jurisdictional concepts related to clause 5(b) of rule XXI—tax and tariff measures—will continue to govern but need not be reiterated, as it is adequately documented as precedent in the *House Rules and Manual*.

1. PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

The Speaker's announced instructions to the former Doorkeeper and the Sergeant-at-Arms in the 98th Congress on January 25, 1983, and in the 99th Congress on January 21, 1986, regarding strict enforcement of rule XXXII, specifying those persons having the privileges of the floor during sessions of the House, will be applied during the 104th Congress.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER, JANUARY 25, 1983

The SPEAKER. Rule XXXII strictly limits those persons to whom the privileges of the floor during sessions of the House are extended, and that rule prohibits the Chair from entertaining requests for suspension or waiver of that rule. As reiterated as recently as August 22, 1974, by Speaker Albert under the principle stated in Deschler's Procedure, chapter 4, section 3.4, the rule strictly limits the number of committee staff permitted on the floor at one time during the consideration of measures reported from their committees. This permission does not extend to Members' personal staff except when a Member has an amendment actually pending dur-

ing the 5-minute rule. To this end, the Chair requests all Members and committee staff to cooperate to assure that not more than the proper number of staff are on the floor, and then only during the actual consideration of measures reported from their committees. The Chair will again extend this admonition to all properly admitted majority and minority staff by insisting that their presence on the floor, including the areas behind the rail, be restricted to those periods during which their supervisors have specifically requested their presence. The Chair stated this policy in the 97th Congress, and an increasing number of Members have insisted on strict enforcement of the rule. The Chair has consulted with and has the concurrence of the Minority Leader with respect to this policy and has directed [the Doorkeeper and] the Sergeant at Arms to assure proper enforcement of the rule.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER, JANUARY 21, 1986

The Speaker. Rule XXXII strictly limits those persons to whom the privileges of the floor during sessions of the House are extended, and that rule prohibits the Chair from entertaining request for suspension or waiver of that rule. As reiterated by the Chair on January 25, 1983, and January 3, 1985, and as stated in chapter 4, section 3.4 of Deschler-Brown's Procedure in the House of Representatives, the rule strictly limits the number of committee staff on the floor at one time during the consideration of measures reported from their committees. This permission does not extend to Members' personal staff except when a Member's amendment is actually pending during the 5-minute rule. It also does not extend to personal staff of Members who are sponsors of pending bills or who are engaging in special orders. The Chair requests the cooperation of all Members and committee staff to assure that only the proper number of staff are on the floor, and then only during the consideration of measures reported from their committees. The Chair is making this statement and reiterating this policy because of concerns expressed by many Members about the number of committee staff on the floor during the last weeks of the first session. The Chair requests each chairman, and each ranking minority member, to submit to the [Doorkeeper] Sergeant at Arms a list of staff who are to be allowed on the floor during the consideration of a measure reported by their committee. Each staff person should exchange his or her ID for a "committee staff" badge which is to be worn while on the floor. The Chair has consulted with the Minority Leader and will continue to consult with him. The Chair has furthermore directed the [Doorkeeper and] Sergeant at Arms to assure proper enforcement of rule XXXII.

2. Introduction of Bills and Resolutions

The Speaker's statement in the 98th Congress on January 3, 1983, regarding the signing of bills and resolutions by their first sponsors, will continue to apply in the 104th Congress.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER, JANUARY 3, 1983

The Speaker. The Chair would like to make a statement concerning the introduction and reference of bills and resolutions. As Members are aware, they have the privilege today of introducing bills. Heretofore on the opening day of a new Congress, several hundred bills have been introduced. The Chair will do his best to refer as many bills as possible, but he will ask the indulgence of Members if he is unable to refer all the bills that may be introduced. Those bills which are not referred and do not appear in the RECORD as of today will be included in the