

the State of Qatar; and by Larry C. Napper, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, and members of their families, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3944(b)(2); to the Committee on International Relations.

729. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

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731. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the Cooperative Threat Reduction [CTR] Program plan for fiscal years 1996-2001, pursuant to section 1205(a), (b) of the National Defense Authorization Act of 1995; to the Committee on International Relations.

732. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting OMB estimate of the amount of change in outlays or receipts, as the case may be, in each fiscal year through fiscal year 2000 resulting from passage of H.R. 831, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388-582); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

733. A letter from the Auditor, District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of a report entitled "Review of the District of Columbia Board of Education's Personnel Screening Procedures for New Hires," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 47-117(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

734. A letter from the Acting Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1994, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

735. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 1994, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

736. A letter from the Co-Chairmen, FDR Memorial Commission, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1994, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

737. A letter from the Executive Secretary, Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1994, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

738. A letter from the President, Inter-American Foundation, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1994, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

739. A letter from the Chairman, Interstate Commerce Commission, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1994, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

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552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

741. A letter from the Executive Director, Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1994, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

742. A letter from the Senior Counsel, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1994, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

743. A letter from the Director, Office of Government of Ethics, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1994, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

744. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1994, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Reform and Oversight.

745. A letter from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1994, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

746. A letter from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Department of the Interior, transmitting notification of proposed refunds of excess royalty payments in OCS areas, pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1339(b); to the Committee on Resources.

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748. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, Department of the Interior, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Helium Act to cease operation of the Government helium refinery, authorize facility and crude helium disposal, and cancel the helium debt; and for related purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

749. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Commerce, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend chapter 11 of title 35 to provide for early publication of patent applications, to amend chapter 14 of title 35 to provide provisional rights for the period of time between early publications and patent grant and to amend chapter 10 of title 35 to provide a prior art effect for published applications; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

750. A letter from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting concerning the Reusable Space Launch Technology Program; to the Committee on Science.

751. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1996 and 1997 for the Office of Commercial Space Transportation of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; to the Committee on Science.

752. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, transmitting the Office's 1995 annual consumer report to Congress, pursuant to Public Law 101-73, section 301 (103 Stat. 279); jointly, to the Committees on Banking and Financial Services and Commerce.

753. A letter from the Assistant Secretary (Civil Rights), Office for Civil Rights, trans-

mitting the annual report summarizing the compliance and enforcement activities of the Office for Civil Rights and identifying significant civil rights or compliance problems, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 3413(b)(1); jointly, to the Committees on Economic and Educational Opportunities and the Judiciary.

754. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's second annual report on building energy efficiency standards activities, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 6831-6837; jointly, to the Committees on Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure.

755. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's report regarding bluefin tuna for 1993-1994, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 971i; jointly, to the Committees on International Relations and Resources.

756. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend title 49, United States Code (Transportation), to simplify and improve the organization of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes; jointly, to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Science.

757. A letter from the Chairman, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Railroad Retirement Act, the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, and related statutes to ease administration of the railroad retirement and railroad unemployment insurance programs and for other purposes; jointly, to the Committees on Ways and Means and Transportation and Infrastructure. May 2, 1995.

758. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; jointly, to the Committees on National Security, Ways and Means, International Relations, and Government Reform and Oversight.

759. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting on behalf of the President, the annual report on the Panama Canal Treaties, fiscal year 1994, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3871; jointly, to the Committees on International Relations, the Judiciary, and Government Reform and Oversight.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. HYDE:

H.R. 1528. A bill to supersede the modification of final judgment entered August 24, 1982, in the antitrust action styled United States versus Western Electric, Civil Action No. 82-0192, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on 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. HEFLEY (for himself and Mr. ORTIZ) (both by request):

H.R. 1529. A bill to authorize certain construction at military installations for fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. SPENCE (for himself and Mr. DELLUMS) (both by request):

H.R. 1530. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 1531. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit to any employer who employs a member of the Ready Reserve or of the National Guard for a portion of the value of the service not performed for the employer while the employee is performing service as such a member; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 1532. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit to any employer who employs a member of the Ready Reserve or of the National Guard for a portion of the compensation paid by the employer while the employee is performing service as such a member; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BRYANT of Tennessee (for himself, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. HEINEMAN, Mr. EMERSON, Mr. WICKER, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. CANADY, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. BARR, and Mrs. CHENOWETH):

H.R. 1533. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to increase the penalty for escaping from a Federal prison; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HUTCHINSON:

H.R. 1534. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring authorities of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to authorize medical construction projects for that Department for fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. GIBBONS (for himself, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. FAZIO of California, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. STARK, Mr. JACOBS, Mr. FORD, Mr. MATSUI, Mrs. KENNELLY, Mr. COYNE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. PAYNE of Virginia, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, and Mr. FROST):

H.R. 1535. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to revise the tax rules on expatriation, to modify the basis rules for nonresident aliens becoming citizens or residents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HUTCHINSON:

H.R. 1536. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend for 2 years an expiring authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs with respect to determination of locality salaries for certain nurse anesthetist positions in the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. JACOBS:

H.R. 1537. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to provide that, for purposes of any grace period offered by a creditor, the date on a postmark shall establish the date on which payment was made unless the consumer establishes that payment was made on an earlier date; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota:

H.R. 1538. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to limit acquisition of land on the 39-mile segment of the Missouri River, Nebraska and South Dakota, designated as a recreational river, to acquisition from willing sellers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. FROST, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. BEILENSON, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. SABO, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. SKAGGS, Mr. GEJDENSON, and Mr. SERRANO):

H.R. 1539. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide a minimum level of funding for bicycle transportation facilities and pedestrian walkways, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. HALL of Ohio (for himself and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey):

H.R. 1540. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to the dissemination of indecent material on cable television; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KING:

H.R. 1541. A bill to impose economic sanctions against persons who trade with Iran; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Government Reform and Oversight, 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. LIPINSKI:

H.R. 1542. A bill to amend the Illinois and Michigan Canal Heritage Corridor Act of 1984 to modify the boundaries of the corridor, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

H.R. 1543. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to restore the duty rate that prevailed under the tariff schedules of the United States for certain twine, cordage, ropes, and cables; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NADLER:

H.R. 1544. A bill to prohibit the formation of private paramilitary organizations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. OBERSTAR:

H.R. 1545. A bill to provide for the certification by the Federal Aviation Administration of airports serving commuter air carriers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. RANGEL, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. NADLER, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. MANTON, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. LOWEY, and Mr. TORRICELLI):

H.R. 1546. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 with respect to the treatment of cooperative housing corporations; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. TORRICELLI (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. JACOBS, Mr. WILSON, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. MANTON, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. VENTO, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. EVANS, Ms. LOWEY, Mr. FARR, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. KLECZKA, and Mr. FRELINGHYSEN):

H.R. 1547. A bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to strengthen the annual reporting requirements of research facilities conducting animal experimentation or testing and to improve the accountability of animal experimentation programs of the Department of Defense; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on National Security, 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. WICKER:

H.R. 1548. A bill to provide for an interpretive center at the Civil War battlefield of Corinth, MS, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. JACOBS:

H.J. Res. 86. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing for direct popular elections of the President and the Vice President, establishing a day for elections for the offices of the President, the Vice President,

Senator, and Representative, and providing for primaries to nominate candidates for the offices 1 month before the elections; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NADLER:

H. Res. 137. Resolution to express the sense of the House of Representatives condemning the use of violence and terror to influence the actions of the Government of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan (for himself, Mr. BROWNBAC, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. BASS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. HOKE, Mr. POMBO, and Mr. SCARBOROUGH):

H. Res. 138. Resolution repealing rule XLIX of the Rules of the House of Representatives relating to the statutory limit on the public debt; to the Committee on Rules.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. COBLE:

H.R. 1549. A bill to provide for the liquidation or reliquidation of a certain entry of warp knitting machines as free of certain duties; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HILLEARY:

H.R. 1550. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Carolyn*; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 65: Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. CALVERT, and Mr. NEY.

H.R. 70: Mr. FROST.

H.R. 98: Mr. KING, Mr. MILLER of Florida, and Mr. FRANKS of Connecticut.

H.R. 99: Ms. ESHOO, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. FOGLIETTA, Mr. FIELDS of Texas, Mr. BORSKI, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. KING.

H.R. 103: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. ROSE, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, and Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 127: Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. MORAN, Mr. HEINEMAN, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. FOX, Mr. ORTON, Mr. KIM, Mr. NEY, Mrs. MALONEY, and Mr. EHLERS.

H.R. 263: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.

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H.R. 303: Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 353: Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 357: Mr. HOLDEN and Mr. TORRICELLI.

H.R. 371: Mr. ROSE.

H.R. 375: Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas.

H.R. 390: Mr. COX, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. GALLEGLY, and Ms. RIVERS.

H.R. 396: Mrs. MORELLA.

H.R. 427: Mr. SOLOMON and Mr. BONILLA.

H.R. 468: Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota and Mr. UNDERWOOD.

H.R. 469: Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota.

H.R. 497: Mr. SAXTON, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. MANZULLO, and Mr. GOODLATTE.

H.R. 512: Mr. MINETA.

H.R. 549: Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 559: Mr. STUPAK.

H.R. 580: Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. ENGEL,