

couple of hours ago and which I have just filed at the desk.

The issue of reform of both legal and illegal immigration is one of the most contentious debates that we will have, and it will take place next week. The rule that we are considering is one of the most fair and balanced rules that could possibly be offered. In fact, we had over 100, I believe 104, amendments that were filed to the Committee on Rules by noon yesterday, and we spent today considering those amendments, and we have made in order 32 amendments that will be considered.

The issue of illegal immigration is a very difficult and pressing one for my State of California. We in California deal daily with the flood of illegal immigrants who are coming across the border seeking either government services, job opportunities, seeking family members, and it is very important that we take strong and decisive action here at the Federal level to deal with that problem.

In the area of legal immigration, I am very pleased that this legislation will allow us to maintain the highest level of legal immigration in 70 years and that in itself is a very good and positive move, because this country was founded on legal immigration and this country has had tremendous benefits because of immigrants who continue to come to this country today.

In fact, my State of California and other parts of this country are on the cutting edge technologically and in many other areas because of legal immigration.

So I would like to congratulate the chairman of the subcommittee, the gentleman from Texas [Mr. SMITH], who has worked long and hard throughout the past year and up until just recently, and he has been working, as he said today, nearly 12 hours a day constantly trying to bring this legislation forward.

As we look at the many different amendments that are going to be considered next week when we proceed with this legislation, one of the most controversial and hotly debated has been the proposal that was offered by the gentleman from Michigan, Mr. CHRYSLER, and my California colleague, Mr. BERMAN, and the gentleman from Kansas, Mr. BROWNBACK, seeking to split the legislation. That is an amendment that will be made to order, will be considered.

So, as we look at the resolution which I have just sent down that will allow us to bring about debate on the issue of legal and illegal immigration, I believe that we are taking a very bold and positive step toward getting the Federal Government to step up to the plate and acknowledge its responsibility. It has been a long time since we have been able to do this, and there are many problems that have taken place because of the 1986 Immigration Reform and Control Act, IRCA, that need to be addressed, and I am pleased that we will in time be doing that.

I would simply say, Mr. Speaker, that I anxiously look forward to a very interesting debate which will be far-reaching and allow every single proposal that has come forward to be considered and discussed.

DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

March 14, 1996.

I hereby designate the Honorable DAVID DREIER to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through Tuesday, March 19, 1996.

NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. MYERS of Indiana (at the request of Mr. ARMEY), for today until 12:30 p.m., on account of illness in the family.

Mr. UNDERWOOD (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), 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 Ms. WOOLSEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mrs. SCHROEDER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SKELTON for 5 minutes, today.

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

Ms. DELAURO, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. STUPAK, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. TOWNS, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. GOODLING for 5 minutes on March 20.

Mr. SMITH of Michigan, for 5 minutes, on March 19 and 20.

Mr. FOLEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. RIGGS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. UPTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MICA, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. EHLERS, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks:)

Mr. DREIER, for 5 minutes, today.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. WOOLSEY) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. LANTOS.

Mr. RUSH in two instances.

Mr. TOWNS.

Mr. LEVIN in two instances.

Mr. MONTGOMERY.

Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts.

Mrs. THURMAN.

Mr. KILDEE.

Mrs. MALONEY.

Mrs. MEEK of Florida.

Mrs. KENNELLY.

Mr. GONZALEZ.

Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin.

Mr. POSHARD.

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DUNCAN) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. NETHERCUTT.

Mr. HORN.

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia.

Mr. WALSH.

Mr. FAWELL.

Mr. MARTINI in two instances.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DREIER) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. ZELIFF.

Mr. BALLENGER.

Mr. NEAL.

Mr. ESHOO.

Mr. BARCIA.

Mr. CHRISTENSEN.

Mrs. MORELLA.

Mr. PACKARD.

Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut.

Ms. MCCARTHY.

Mr. KANJORSKI.

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida.

Mr. GRAHAM.

Mr. TEJEDA.

Mr. BENTSEN.

Mr. COX of California.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

Mr. BONIOR.

Mr. PASTOR.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2036. An Act to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to make certain adjustments in the land disposal program to provide needed flexibility, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 43 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, March 18, 1996, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2248. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting his request for an fiscal year 1996 supplemental appropriation for support of the Israeli Government's urgent requirement for counter-terrorism assistance, and to designate the

amount made available as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1107 (H. Doc. No. 104-187) to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

2249. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting OMB's 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. 2196, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388-582); to the Committee on the Budget.

2250. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the cooperative production and support of an expendable offboard active electronic decoy for antiship missile defense (Transmittal No. 07-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

2251. A letter from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2252. A letter from the Director, Office of Administration, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2253. A letter from the Chairman, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the Board's justification of budget estimates for fiscal year 1997, pursuant to 45 U.S.C. 231f; 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. HYDE: Committee of Conference. Conference report on H.R. 956. A bill to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation, and for other purposes (Rept. 104-481). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. THOMAS: Committee on House Oversight. H.R. 2739. A bill to provide for a representational allowance for Members of the House of Representatives, to make technical and conforming changes to sundry provisions of law in consequence of administrative reforms in the House of Representatives, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 104-482). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DREIER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 384. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2202) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve deterrence of illegal immigration to the United States by increasing border patrol and investigative personnel, by increasing penalties for alien smuggling and for document fraud, by reforming exclusion and deportation law and procedures, by improving the verification system for eligibility for employment, and through other measures, to reform the legal immigration system and facilitate legal entries into the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. 104-483). Referred to the House Calendar.

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. BILBRAY (for himself, Mr. MOORHEAD, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. SCHAEFER, and Mr. BARTON of Texas):

H.R. 3083. A bill to direct a property conveyance in the State of California; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas:

H.R. 3084. A bill to provide for the furnishing of medical care and disability benefits for former civilian prisoners of war; to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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. CHRISTENSEN (for himself, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. CHRYSLER, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mrs. SEASTRAND, and Mr. SAM JOHNSON):

H.R. 3085. A bill to control crime by increasing penalties for armed violent criminals and drug dealers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. COX (for himself, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. HERGER, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. BRYANT of Tennessee, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. CRANE, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. GOSS, Mr. SMITH of Texas, and Mrs. MYRICK):

H.R. 3086. A bill to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to designate qualified delivery services, in addition to the U.S. Postal Service, for purposes of timely filing of tax documents with the Internal Revenue Service; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BALLENGER (for himself, Mr. GOODLING, and Mr. FAWELL):

H.R. 3087. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide that an employee's regular rate for purposes of calculating overtime compensation will not be affected by certain additional payments; to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

By Mr. BREWSTER (for himself, Mr. DICKEY, and Mr. HUTCHINSON):

H.R. 3088. A bill to provide for the exchange of certain federally owned lands and mineral interests therein, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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. ESHOO (for herself, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. FARR, Mr. GEJDENSON, and Ms. WOOLSEY):

H.R. 3089. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 in order to provide parents with greater control of their children's access to online material; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. FARR (for himself, Mr. STUDDS, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. JONES, Mr. LONGLEY, Mr. TORKILDSEN, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. ORTIZ, Mrs. SEASTRAND, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. RIGGS, Mrs. SMITH of Washington, Mr. GOSS, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. DEUTSCH, and Mr. CAMPBELL):

H.R. 3090. A bill to authorize appropriations for the National Marine Sanctuaries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. FAWELL:

H.R. 3091. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to allow individuals

against whom injunctive relief is sought an opportunity to be heard; to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

By Mr. FRANKS of Connecticut:

H.R. 3092. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage State unemployment insurance laws to establish a system under which workers may purchase insurance to cover the costs of health insurance during periods of unemployment; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 3093. A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to establish a brownfield cleanup loan program; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. GRAHAM:

H.R. 3094. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an exemption from the overtime compensation provisions of such act for professional employees of contractors and subcontractors of the Federal Government; to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

By Mr. HUTCHINSON (for himself, Mr. PAXON, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. BALLENGER, Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. FUNDERBURK, Mr. GOSS, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. CREMEANS, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. DORNAN, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. LINDER, Mr. COOLEY, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. CRANE, and Mr. RAMSTAD):

H.R. 3095. A bill to prohibit discrimination in contracting on federally funded projects on the basis of certain labor policies of potential contractors; to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

By Mr. JACOBS (for himself and Mr. BURTON of Indiana):

H.R. 3096. A bill to mandate the use of instant replay in the event of conflicting calls in a professional sports league game played in the United States; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut (for herself and Mrs. KENNELLY):

H.R. 3097. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the mailing of certain mail matter; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. LOFGREN:

H.R. 3098. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to diversify the investments of the Social Security trust funds by providing for investment of 40 percent of each year's surplus in such trust funds in certain private obligations, securities, or other instruments; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LUCAS (for himself and Mr. BREWSTER):

H.R. 3099. A bill to establish the Washita Battlefield National Historic Site in the State of Oklahoma; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. MANZULLO:

H.R. 3100. A bill to limit the authority of Federal courts to fashion remedies that require local jurisdictions to assess, levy, or collect taxes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TOWNS:

H.R. 3101. A bill to require health plans to provide coverage for a minimum period of time for a mother and child following the