

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. HANSEN (for himself and Mr. MARTINI):

H.R. 3907. A bill to facilitate the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in the State of Utah at the Snowbasin Ski Area, to provide for the acquisition of lands within the Sterling Forest Reserve, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. FAZIO of California:

H.R. 3908. A bill to prevent the illegal manufacturing and use of methamphetamine; 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. NADLER:

H.R. 3909. A bill to improve aviation security by requiring the installation of certain explosive detection equipment at certain airports, by requiring the installation of explosive resistant cargo containers on aircraft, to provide assistance for the acquisition of such equipment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. ORTIZ (for himself and Mr. THORNBERRY):

H.R. 3910. A bill to provide emergency drought relief to the city of Corpus Christi, TX, and the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, TX and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. PALLONE:

H.R. 3911. A bill to establish the Great Falls Historic District in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. PORTER:

H.R. 3912. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to encourage compliance with spending limits on elections for the House of Representatives and enhance the importance of individual contributions and contributions originating within congressional districts; to the Committee on House Oversight.

By Mr. ARMEY:

H. Con. Res. 203. Concurrent resolution providing for an adjournment of both Houses; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FORBES (for himself, Mr. MCDADE, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. LAZIO of New York, Mr. FRISA, Mr. KING, and Mr. ACKERMAN):

H. Con. Res. 204. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress concerning the tragic crash of Trans World Airlines flight 800; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. COX (for himself, Mr. BONO, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. FUNDERBURK, Mr. LANTOS, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. TORRICELLI, and Mr. DORNAN):

H. Res. 490. Resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Taiwan should be admitted to the World Trade Organization without making such admission conditional on the previous or simultaneous admission of the People's Republic of China to the WTO; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. PORTER, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. BEREUTER, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. WOLF, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. OLVER, Mr. EVANS, Ms.

WATERS, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. CUMMINGS):

H. Res. 491. Resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that criminals from the genocide in Rwanda should be brought to justice by the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda; to the Committee on International Relations.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 1127: Mr. HOLDEN.
 H.R. 1281: Mrs. MORELLA.
 H.R. 1920: Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey.
 H.R. 2167: Mr. VOLKMER.
 H.R. 2400: Mr. TORRICELLI and Mr. WALSH.
 H.R. 2434: Mr. EDWARDS.
 H.R. 2480: Mr. BUYER.
 H.R. 2807: Mr. WICKER.
 H.R. 2892: Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Ms. FURSE.
 H.R. 2976: Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. TORRICELLI, and Mr. WATT of North Carolina.
 H.R. 3123: Mr. WELDON of Florida.
 H.R. 3195: Mr. SALMON.
 H.R. 3244: Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. JACOBS, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. FOX, and Mr. HAYES.
 H.R. 3283: Mr. HOYER.
 H.R. 3294: Mrs. THURMAN.
 H.R. 3427: Mr. DOOLITTLE and Mr. NEY.
 H.R. 3515: Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. BRYANT of Texas, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. LEVIN.
 H.R. 3556: Ms. FURSE and Mr. SAWYER.
 H.R. 3590: Mr. FRAZER, Mr. MCDERMOTT, and Mr. ACKERMAN.
 H.R. 3609: Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. OLVER, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. DELLUMS, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. BEILINSON, and Mrs. MORELLA.
 H.R. 3618: Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. HYDE.
 H.R. 3687: Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina.
 H.R. 3710: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. MASCARA, and Mrs. FOWLER.
 H.R. 3724: Mr. CLINGER and Mr. GALLEGLY.
 H.R. 3753: Mr. HAYWORTH and Mr. LAHOOD.
 H.R. 3766: Mr. STARK, Mr. OWENS, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. WOLF.
 H.R. 3775: Ms. GREENE of Utah and Mr. SENSENBRENNER.
 H.R. 3783: Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. CAMP, Mr. NEY, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. FOX, and Mr. SHUSTER.
 H.R. 3807: Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. SPRATT, and Mr. BENTSEN.
 H.R. 3821: Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. EHLERS, and Mr. GREEN of Texas.
 H.R. 3830: Mr. WATT of North Carolina and Mr. CUMMINGS.
 H.R. 3839: Mr. COSTELLO.
 H.R. 3863: Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. FOX, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. BORSKI, and Mr. ZIMMER.
 H.R. 3879: Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. FRAZER, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, and Mr. HAMILTON.
 H.J. Res. 114: Mr. DINGELL.
 H.J. Res. 176: Mr. HEFLEY.
 H. Con. Res. 151: Miss COLLINS of Michigan, Ms. FURSE, Ms. KAPTUR, and Mr. MATSUI.
 H. Con. Res. 202: Mr. TRAFICANT.
 H. Res. 423: Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.
 H. Res. 470: Mr. RAMSTAD and Ms. MOLINARI.

DISCHARGE PETITIONS—
ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

The following Members added their names to the following discharge petitions:

Petition 13 by Mr. CONDIT on House Resolution 443: David M. McIntosh.

Petition 15 by Mr. BONILLA on House Resolution 466: Steve Stockman, David M. McIntosh, Sonny Bono, John J. Duncan, Jr., Charles H. Taylor, Walter B. Jones, Jr., J.D. Hayworth, Solomon P. Ortiz, J.C. Watts, Jr., Pete Geren, Chet Edwards, and Helen Chenoweth.

AMENDMENTS

Under clause 6 of rule XXIII, proposed amendments were submitted as follows:

H.R. 123

OFFERED BY: MR. CUNNINGHAM

(Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute)

AMENDMENT No. 1: Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "English Language Empowerment Act of 1996".

**TITLE I—ENGLISH LANGUAGE
EMPOWERMENT****SEC. 101. FINDINGS.**

The Congress finds and declares the following:

(1) The United States is comprised of individuals and groups from diverse ethnic, cultural, and linguistic backgrounds.

(2) The United States has benefited and continues to benefit from this rich diversity.

(3) Throughout the history of the United States, the common thread binding individuals of differing backgrounds has been a common language.

(4) In order to preserve unity in diversity, and to prevent division along linguistic lines, the Federal Government should maintain a language common to all people.

(5) English has historically been the common language and the language of opportunity in the United States.

(6) The purpose of this title is to help immigrants better assimilate and take full advantage of economic and occupational opportunities in the United States.

(7) By learning the English language, immigrants will be empowered with the language skills and literacy necessary to become responsible citizens and productive workers in the United States.

(8) The use of a single common language in conducting official business of the Federal Government will promote efficiency and fairness to all people.

(9) English should be recognized in law as the language of official business of the Federal Government.

(10) Any monetary savings derived from the enactment of this title should be used for the teaching of the English language to non-English speaking immigrants.

**SEC. 102. ENGLISH AS THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGE
OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Title 4, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new chapter:

**"CHAPTER 6—LANGUAGE OF THE
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

"Sec.

"161. Declaration of official language of Federal Government

"162. Preserving and enhancing the role of the official language

"163. Official Federal Government activities in English

"164. Standing

"165. Reform of naturalization requirements

"166. Application

"167. Rule of construction

"168. Affirmation of constitutional protections

"169. Definitions