

maximum use of technology. That brings hope for the public schools. It renews all that is there.

We must continue despite the fact that a continuing resolution sort of blocks out a clear discussion of the issues. We must continue the discussion and try to force onto the agenda of the continuing resolution debate all of these priority programs like the saving and protection of Social Security, and the federal assistance to education, HMO reform. They cannot be smothered away by the fact that there will be no individual appropriations bills on each one of these areas.

So I hope that the common sense of the American people will invade these halls in the next few weeks, we will get away from the trivialities and the pornography and return to issues that matter most in this indispensable Nation. We need to continue to make decisions that are going to carry us into the 21st century as a leader of the free world.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. Manton (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today after 5:00 p.m. on account of personal reasons.

Ms. SANCHEZ (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) beginning at 5:00 p.m. today and for the balance of the day 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. KAPTUR) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BROWN of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CONYERS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HINCHEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MINGE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. CHAMBLISS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PAUL, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BILBRAY, 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. KAPTUR) and to include extraneous material:)

Mr. KIND.

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas.

Ms. PELOSI.

Mr. CONDIT.

Mrs. CAPPS.

Mr. DOOLEY of California.

Mrs. MALONEY of New York.

Mr. UNDERWOOD.

Mr. KUCINICH.

Mr. McDERMOTT.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii.

Mr. OBERSTAR.

Mr. KLECZKA.

Ms. SANCHEZ.

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ.

Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri.

Ms. LEE.

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

Mr. THOMAS.

Mr. EHRLICH.

Mr. RIGGS.

Mrs. NORTHUP.

Mr. BOB SCHAFFER of Colorado.

Mr. BILIRAKIS.

Mr. CASTLE.

Mr. SMITH of Oregon.

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

Mr. TOWNS.

Mrs. MORELLA.

Mr. RAMSTAD.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

Mr. HUTCHINSON.

Mr. ROHRBACHER.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN.

Mr. DIXON.

Mr. GREEN.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title:

On September 23, 1998:

H.R. 1856. To amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to promote volunteer programs and community partnerships for the benefit of national wildlife refuges, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 44 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, September 25, 1998, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

11228. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Brucellosis in Cattle; State and Area Classifications; Florida [Docket No. 98-014-2]

received August 17, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11229. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Mediterranean Fruit Fly; Addition to Quarantined Areas [Docket No. 98-083-1] received August 17, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11230. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Mexican Fruit Fly Regulations; Removal of Regulated Area [Docket No. 98-084-1] received August 17, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11231. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Validated Brucellosis-Free States; Alabama [Docket No. 98-086-1] received August 17, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11232. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Mediterranean Fruit Fly; Addition to Quarantined Areas [Docket No. 98-083-2] received August 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11233. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule—Risk-Based Capital Standards: Unrealized Holding Gains on Certain Equity Securities [Docket No. 98-12] (RIN: 1557-AB14) received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11234. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule—Capital; Risk-Based Capital Guidelines; Capital Adequacy Guidelines; Capital Maintenance; Servicing Assets [Docket No. 98-10] (RIN: 1557-AB14) received September 10, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11235. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Final Flood Elevation Determinations [44 CFR Part 67] received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11236. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations [Docket No. FEMA-7261] received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11237. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Department's final rule—Suspension of Community Eligibility [Docket No. FEMA-7694] received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11238. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Department's final rule—List of Communities Eligible for the Sale of Flood Insurance [Docket No. FEMA-7693] received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11239. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations [44 CFR Part 65] received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11240. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Final Flood Elevation Determination [44 CFR Part 67] received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11241. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule—Interim Rule Amending Summary Plan Description Regulation (RIN: 1210-AA55) received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

11242. A letter from the AMD-Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment of the Commission's rules to Provide for Operation of Unlicensed NII Devices in the 5 GHz Frequency Range [ET Docket No. 96-102] received August 11, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11243. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule—Establishment of 24-month Validity Period for Certain Reexport Authorizations and Revocation of Other Authorizations [Docket No. 980821223-8223-01] (RIN: 0694-AB74) received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

11244. A letter from the Director, Office of Executive Assistance Management, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule—Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements With Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, Other Non-Profit, and Commercial Organizations (RIN: 0605-AA09) received September 10, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

11245. A letter from the Executive Director, Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting the Authority's final rule—Regulations Implementing Coverage of Federal Sector Labor Relations Laws to the Executive Office of the President [5 CFR Parts 2420.2421, 2422, 2423, and 2470] received September 8, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

11246. A letter from the Executive Director, The Presidio Trust, transmitting the Trust's final rule—Management of the Presidio (RIN: 3212-AA01) received September 10, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

11247. A letter from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Financial Assistance for a National Ocean Service Intern Program [Docket No. 980723189-8189-01] (RIN: 0648-ZA46) received September 10, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

11248. A letter from the Director, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—NOAA Climate and Global Change Program, Program Announcement [Docket No. 980413092-8092-01] (RIN: 0648-ZA39) received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

11249. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration,

transmitting the Administration's final rule—Disaster Loan Program [13 CFR Part 123] received September 9, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Small Business.

11250. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Labor, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule—Unemployment Insurance Program Letter [No. 41-98] received September 16, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

11251. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Automated Data Processing Funding Limitation for Child Support Enforcement Systems (RIN: 0970-AB71) received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

11252. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Washington: Withdrawal of Immediate Final Rule for Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision [FRL-6147-3] received September 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

11253. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Health Care Programs: Fraud and Abuse; Revised OIG Exclusion Authorities Resulting From Public Law 104-191 (RIN: 0991-AA87) received August 15, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

11254. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Navy's Proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to the Netherlands for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 98-53), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

11255. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Navy's Proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Spain for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 98-57), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

11256. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's Proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Egypt for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 98-62), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

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 referred to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 2370. A bill to amend the Organic Act of Guam for the purposes of clarifying the local judicial structure and the office of Attorney General; with amendments (Rept. 105-742). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 551. Resolution providing for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 4618) to provide emergency assistance to American farmers and ranchers for crop and livestock feed losses due to disasters and to respond to loss of world markets for American agricultural commodities (Rept. 105-743). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SOLOMON: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 552. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4578) to amend the Social Security Act to establish the Protect Social Security Account into which the Secretary of the Treasury shall deposit budget surpluses until a reform measure is enacted to ensure the long-term solvency of the OASDI trust fund, and for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4579) to provide tax relief for individuals, families, and farming and other small businesses, to provide tax incentives for education, to extend certain expiring provisions, and for other purposes (Rept. 105-744). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. DREIER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 553. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2621) to extend trade authorities procedures with respect to reciprocal trade agreements, and for other purposes (Rept. 105-745). 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. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. REYES, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. BORSKI, Ms. FURSE, and Mr. UNDERWOOD):

H.R. 4617. A bill to provide increased funding to combat drug offenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, and 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. SMITH of Oregon:

H.R. 4618. A bill to provide emergency assistance to American farmers and ranchers for crop and livestock feed losses due to disasters and to respond to loss of world markets for American agricultural commodities; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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 Mrs. MINK of Hawaii:

H.R. 4619. A bill to modify the requirements under the Immigrant Investor Pilot Program in order to permit an alien who joins a limited partnership after the partnership's creation to qualify for a visa under such program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HORN:

H.R. 4620. A bill to establish a Federal Commission on Statistical Policy to study the reorganization of the Federal statistical system, to provide uniform safeguards for the confidentiality of information acquired for exclusively statistical purposes, and to improve the efficiency of Federal statistical programs and the quality of Federal statistics by permitting limited sharing of records among designated agencies for statistical purposes under strong safeguards; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, and Rules, 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. CASTLE (for himself, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. LAZIO of New