

1943. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Accounting Period Guidance [Notice 99-19] received April 9, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1944. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Examination of returns and claims for refund, credit, or abatement; determination of correct tax liability [Revenue Procedure 99-21] received April 6, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1945. A letter from the Acting SSA Regulations Officer, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Administrative Review Process; Prehearing Proceedings and Decisions by Attorney Advisors; Extension of Expiration Date (RIN: 0960-AF01) received March 25, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1946. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of our intent to obligate funds for additional program proposals for purposes of Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund (NDF) activities, pursuant to Public Law 105-277; jointly to the Committees on Appropriations and International Relations.

1947. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense (Environmental Security), Department of Defense, transmitting the final report including an evaluation of the program, which concludes the program has been beneficial in providing environmental education and training opportunities to current and former Department of Defense personnel, as well as other young adults, pursuant to Public Law 102-580, section 310(b) (106 Stat. 4845); jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Education and the Workforce.

1948. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Service, transmitting an annual report on participation, assignment, and extra billing in the Medicare program; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

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. YOUNG of Florida: Committee on Appropriations. Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 1999 (Rept. 106-128). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on Science. H.R. 209. A bill to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions; with an amendment (Rept. 106-129 Pt. 1).

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the Committee on the Judiciary discharged H.R. 209; referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 209. Referral to the Committee on the Judiciary extended for a period ending not later than May 6, 1999.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. BLILEY (for himself, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. FOSSELLA):

H.R. 1714. A bill to facilitate the use of electronic records and signatures in interstate or foreign commerce; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BACHUS (for himself and Ms. WATERS) (both by request):

H.R. 1715. A bill to extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 1716. A bill to provide for a study of long-term care needs in the 21st century; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BLAGOJEVICH (for himself and Mr. ROGAN):

H.R. 1717. A bill to permanently ban the possession of firearms by dangerous juvenile offenders; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BRYANT (for himself and Mr. HILLEARY):

H.R. 1718. A bill to amend the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965 to add Hickman, Lawrence, Lewis, Perry, and Wayne Counties, Tennessee, to the Appalachian region; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. DEFAZIO:

H.R. 1719. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Defense to carry out the National Guard civilian youth opportunities program for fiscal year 2000 in an amount not to exceed \$110,000,000; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H.R. 1720. A bill to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to provide for an increase in the authorization of appropriations for community-based family resource and support grants under that Act; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

H.R. 1721. A bill to amend the Incentive Grants for Local Delinquency Prevention Program Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 through 2005; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

H.R. 1722. A bill to amend the Head Start Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 through 2005; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

H.R. 1723. A bill to encourage States to require a holding period for any student expelled for bringing a gun to school; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

H.R. 1724. A bill to increase discretionary funding for certain grant programs established under the "Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Programs"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself and Mr. WALDEN of Oregon):

H.R. 1725. A bill to provide for the conveyance by the Bureau of Land Management to Douglas County, Oregon, of a county park and certain adjacent land; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. DEFAZIO:

H.R. 1726. A bill to allow States to develop or expand instant gun checking capabilities, to allow a tax credit for the purchase of safe storage devices for firearms, to promote the fitting of handguns with child safety locks, and to prevent children from injuring themselves and others with firearms; referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consider-

ation of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. DUNCAN (for himself and Mrs. CHENOWETH):

H.R. 1727. A bill to eliminate the fees associated with Forest Service special use permits that authorize a church to use structures and improvements on National Forest System lands for religious or educational purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. ENGLISH (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. METCALF):

H.R. 1728. A bill to reauthorize the Trade Adjustment Assistance program through fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GOODE (for himself, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. WOLF, Mr. PICKETT, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. BATEMAN, and Mr. MORAN of Virginia):

H.R. 1729. A bill to designate the Federal facility located at 1301 Emmet Street in Charlottesville, Virginia, as the "Pamela B. Gwin Hall"; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. GOODLING (for himself, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. GILMAN, and Mr. FOLEY):

H.R. 1730. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the installment method to be used to report income from the sale of certain residential real property, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HERGER (for himself, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. CAMP, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. WELLER, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, and Mr. THOMAS):

H.R. 1731. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources shall apply to electricity produced from all biomass facilities and to extend the placed in service deadline for such credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HINCHEY (for himself, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. BALDACCI, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. BOUCHER, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mrs. CAPPAS, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. COYNE, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. DELAHUNT, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. DICKS, Mr. DIXON, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FORBES, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HOFFFEL, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. HOLT, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. LARSON, Mr. LEACH, Ms. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. LIPINSKI, Ms. LOFGREN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. LUTHER, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MATSUI, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr.

MEEKs of New York, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. NADLER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. OLVER, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. PHELPS, Mr. PORTER, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. ROTHMAN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SABO, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SAWYER, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. SPRATT, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. STARK, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. VENTO, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WEINER, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. WEYGAND, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. WYNN):

H.R. 1732. A bill to designate certain Federal land in the State of Utah as wilderness, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. MEEHAN (for himself, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. OLVER, and Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts):

H.R. 1733. A bill to establish doctoral fellowships designed to increase the pool of scientists and engineers trained specifically to address the global energy and environmental challenges of the 21st century; to the Committee on Science.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California:

H.R. 1734. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve the quality of education and raise student achievement by strengthening accountability, raising standards for teachers, rewarding success, and providing better information to parents; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania (for himself and Mr. BARTON of Texas):

H.R. 1735. A bill to establish a grant program to enable local educational agencies to develop and implement a random drug testing program for students in grades 7 through 12; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. STARK:

H.R. 1736. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide certain Medicare beneficiaries with an exemption to the financial limitations imposed on physical, speech-language pathology, and occupational therapy services under part B of the Medicare Program, and to provide for a system to vary those limitations using a classification of individuals based on diagnostic category and prior use of services; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. SWEENEY:

H.R. 1737. A bill to prohibit United States reconstruction assistance for the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) as a result of Operation Allied Force; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. WAMP:

H.R. 1738. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide slot exemptions for nonstop regional jet service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. TIERNEY (for himself, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. NADLER, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. HOEFFEL, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. PELOSI, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. DELAHUNT, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. OLVER, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. STARK, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. MCKINNEY, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. LEE, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. KIND, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. FORD, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. CLAY, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FATTAH, and Mr. PASCRELL):

H.R. 1739. A bill to reform the financing of Federal elections; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Commerce, and Government Reform, 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. MURTHA:

H.J. Res. 52. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to school prayer; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS (for himself, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. HORN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. PORTER, Mr. KLINK, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. TIERNEY, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. DIXON, Mr. BONIOR, and Mr. EVANS):

H. Con. Res. 100. Concurrent resolution urging the compliance by Turkey with United Nations resolutions relating to Cyprus, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin (for himself, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. TERRY, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. OSE, Mr. SIMPSON, and Mr. KUYKENDALL):

H. Con. Res. 101. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that Social Security reform measures should not force State and local government employees into Social Security coverage; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas:

H. Con. Res. 102. Concurrent resolution celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and recognizing the humanitarian safeguards these treaties provide in times of armed conflict; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. PAYNE:

H. Con. Res. 103. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress with regard to cultural education and awareness of the history of slavery in America; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. RODRIGUEZ:

H. Con. Res. 104. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued in honor of William C. Velasquez, the national Hispanic civic leader; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. BRADY of Texas:

H. Res. 161. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the condition and humanitarian needs of refugees within Kosovo; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. BURTON of Indiana:

H. Res. 162. A resolution providing for enclosing the galleries of the House of Representatives with a transparent and substantial material; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. KINGSTON (for himself and Mrs. CAPPS):

H. Res. 163. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to postpartum depression; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky:

H. Res. 164. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Federal laws relating to the provision of health care must allow women direct access to obstetrician-gynecologists and other health care professionals who specialize in obstetrics and gynecology; to the Committee on Commerce.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

48. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Utah, relative to House Joint Resolution 12 urging the Clinton Administration to support Taiwan and its 21 million people in obtaining appropriate and meaningful participation in the World Health Organization; to the Committee on International Relations.

49. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 543 urging the Congress of the United States to re-emphasize to the American People that the third Monday in February is to be celebrated as a national holiday called George Washington's Birthday and to resist efforts to downgrade George Washington's Birthday into an amorphous and ultimately meaningless "Presidents Day" holiday; to the Committee on Government Reform.

50. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Kansas, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1617 requesting that the Congress of the United States return the statue of George W. Glick earlier presented by the state of Kansas for placement in Statuary Hall and accept in return for placement in Statuary Hall, a statue of Dwight David Eisenhower, a citizen of the free world, and worthy of national commemoration in Statuary Hall; to the Committee on House Administration.

51. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Montana, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 7 memorializing support for the American Land Sovereignty Act of 1997 that reaffirms the constitutional authority of the United States Congress as the elected representatives of the people over the federally owned land of the United States; to the Committee on Resources.

52. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Utah, relative to House Joint Resolution 5 urging the United States Congress to amend the United States Constitution to prohibit federal courts from levying or increasing taxes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

53. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 523 urging the Congress of the United States to include the Coalfields Expressway in the Appalachian Development Highway System; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

54. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 3039 urging Congress to enact legislation to return adequate funds to states to fund the