

for inventors and innovators, protect patent terms, reduce patent litigation, and for other purposes, with an amendment; referred to the Committee on Government Reform for a period ending not later than August 3, 1999, for consideration of such provisions of the bill and amendment as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(h), rule X (Rept. 106-287, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. McCOLLUM:

H.R. 2678. A bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of a notification system under which individuals may elect not to receive mailings related to skill contests or sweepstakes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. SHUSTER (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. PETRI, and Mr. RAHALL):

H.R. 2679. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to establish the National Motor Carrier Administration in the Department of Transportation, to improve the safety of commercial motor vehicle operators and carriers, to strengthen commercial driver's licenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (for herself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. GUTIERREZ, and Mr. MEEHAN):

H.R. 2680. A bill to replace the Immigration and Naturalization Service with the National Immigration Bureau, to separate the immigration enforcement and adjudication functions performed by officers and employees of the Bureau reporting to the Director, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to restore eligibility for adjustment of status under section 245(i) of that Act and to restructure the use of fees collected for providing adjudication and naturalization services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SHUSTER (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. PETRI, and Mr. RAHALL):

H.R. 2681. A bill to establish a program, coordinated by the National Transportation Safety Board, of assistance to families of passengers involved in rail passenger accidents; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SHUSTER (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. PETRI, and Mr. RAHALL) (all by request):

H.R. 2682. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to enhance the safety of motor carrier operations and the Nation's highway system, including highway-rail crossings, by amending existing safety laws to strengthen commercial driver licensing, to improve compliance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

H.R. 2683. A bill to authorize activities under the Federal railroad safety laws for fiscal years 2000 through 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. WALSH:

H.R. 2684. A bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

By Mr. BONILLA (for himself and Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas):

H.R. 2685. A bill to guarantee the right of all active duty military personnel, merchant mariners, and their dependents to vote in Federal, State, and local elections; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, and the Judiciary, 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. DAVIS of Virginia:

H.R. 2686. A bill to amend subchapter III of chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to make service performed as an employee of a nonappropriated fund instrumentality after 1965 and before 1987 creditable for retirement purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Ms. LOFGREN (for herself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Ms. ESHOO, Ms. PELOSI, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. MEEHAN, and Mr. KIND):

H.R. 2687. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to establish a 5-year pilot program under which certain aliens completing a postsecondary degree in mathematics, science, engineering, or computer science are permitted to change non-immigrant classification in order to remain in the United States for a 5-year period for the purpose of working in one of those fields; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MORAN of Virginia (for himself and Ms. NORTON):

H.R. 2688. A bill to reduce traffic congestion, promote economic development, and improve the quality of life in the metropolitan Washington region; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. NEY:

H.R. 2689. A bill to impose a one-year moratorium on promulgation of new rules by the Health Care Financing Administration; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself and Mr. PAYNE):

H.R. 2690. A bill to prohibit States from imposing a family cap under the program of temporary assistance to needy families; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STARK (for himself, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. OLVER, Mr. CAPUANO, and Mr. GORDON):

H.R. 2691. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to provide a range of long-term care services; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Commerce, Government Reform, and Education and the Workforce, 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. WEINER:

H.R. 2692. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the child tax credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. WOOLSEY:

H.R. 2693. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Grant Act of 1990 to provide for improved care for young children; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

H.R. 2694. A bill to increase the availability of child care for children whose parents work nontraditional hours or shifts; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. SHUSTER (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. PETRI, and Mr. RAHALL):

H. Con. Res. 171. Concurrent resolution congratulating the American Public Transit Association for 25 years of commendable service to the transit industry and the Nation; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

MEMORIALS

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

179. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Colorado, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 99-1043 memorializing Congress to pass legislation requiring labels that disclose the country of origin on meats, poultry, and fresh produce; to the Committee on Agriculture.

180. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 12 memorializing Congress and the Department of Agriculture to re-examine our national agricultural policy and give due attention and action to remedy the current agricultural economic dilemma; to the Committee on Agriculture.

181. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of New Hampshire, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 7 memorializing support for the continued management of the White Mountain National Forest for multiple uses as a part of the National Forest System; to the Committee on Agriculture.

182. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Colorado, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 99-1032 memorializing Congress to repeal all provisions of federal law that allow or require a labor organization to represent employees who choose not to join or financially support such labor organization; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

183. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of New Hampshire, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 6 memorializing the President and Congress to fund 40 percent of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States as promised under the IDEA to ensure that all children, regardless of disability, receive a quality education and are treated with the dignity and respect they deserve; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

184. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of New York, relative to Senate No. 1557 memorializing the New York State Congressional Delegation to effectuate a repeal of the oxygenate mandate for reformulated gasoline; to the Committee on Commerce.

185. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Colorado, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 99-1047 memorializing Congress to subject the "Regional Haze Rule" to congressional rule review, to reject the rule, and return it to the EPA for proper participation by all interested parties prior to promulgation in accordance with the requirements of the federal "Administrative Procedures Act"; to the Committee on Commerce.

186. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Colorado, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 99-1037 memorializing Congress to require the EPA