

801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6944. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Nuclear Decommissioning Funds; Revised Schedules of Ruling Amounts [TD 8758] (RIN: 1545-AU28) received January 20, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6945. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Rulings and determination letters [Rev. Proc. 98-17] received January 20, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6946. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Employment taxes [Rev. Proc. 98-16] received January 20, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6947. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Election Not to Apply Look-Back Method in De Minimis Cases [TD 8756] (RIN: 1545-AV78) received January 20, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6948. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Dispositions of Certain Life Estates [Rev. Rul. 98-8] received January 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6949. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Obligations of States and Political Subdivisions [REG-110965-97] (RIN: 1545-AV47) received January 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6950. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Small Business Taxpayer Advance Pricing Agreements [Notice 98-10] received January 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6951. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Weighted Average Interest Rate Update [Notice 98-9] received January 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6952. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Continuity of Interest and Continuity of Business Enterprise [TD 8760] (RIN: 1545-AU72 and 1545-AU73) received January 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6953. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Last-in, first-out inventories [Rev. Rul. 98-9] received January 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6954. 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 [Rev. Proc. 98-19] received January 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6955. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Installment Obligations received From Liquidating Corporations [TD 8762] (RIN: 1545-AB43) received January 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6956. A letter from the National Director, Tax Forms and Publications Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Requirements for Privately Designed and Printed Federal Tax Return Forms [Rev. Proc. 97-54] received December 12, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6957. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Last-in, first-out inventories [Rev. Rul. 98-6] received January 14, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6958. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Eligible Deferred Compensation Plans under Section 457 [Notice 98-8] received January 14, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6959. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Filing Requirements for Returns Claiming the Foreign Tax Credit [TD 8759] (RIN: 1545-AP36) received January 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6960. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Continuity of Interest [TD 8761] (RIN: 1545-AV80) received January 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6961. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—TECRO/AIT Carnet Issuing and Guaranteeing Association—received January 22, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6962. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Addition of Hong Kong to the List of Nations Entitled to Special Tonnage Tax Exemption [TD 98-3] (RIN: 1515-AC27) received December 16, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6963. A letter from the the Director, the Congressional Budget Office, transmitting CBO's final sequestration report for Fiscal Year 1998, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388-587); (H. Doc. No. 105-187); to the Committee on the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed.

6964. A letter from the the Director, the Office of Management and Budget, transmitting OMB's final sequestration report to the President and Congress for Fiscal Year 1998, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388-587); (H. Doc. No. 105-188); to the Committee on the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed.

6965. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medicare Program; Application of Inherent Reasonableness to All Medicare Part B Services (Other than Physician Services) [HCFA-1908-IFC] (RIN: 0938-AI37) received January 13, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Commerce and Ways and Means.

6966. A letter from the the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, the Department of State, transmitting notification that the President has exercised the authority to suspend restrictions on the maintenance of a Palestine Liberation Organization Office for a duration of six months, pursuant to section 539(d) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Act, FY 1998; (H. Doc. No. 105-186); jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

6967. A letter from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting a copy of the Board's appeal letter to the Office of Management and Budget regarding the initial determination of their fiscal year 1999 budget request, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. app. 1903(b)(7); jointly to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Appropriations.

6968. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule—Medicare Program; Schedule of Limits on Home Health Agency Costs Per Visit for Cost Reporting Periods Beginning on or after October 1, 1997 [HCFA-1904-NC] (RIN: 0938-AI36) received January 12, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

6969. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Force Management Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting notification of determinations that institutions of higher education have been deemed ineligible for certain Federal funding, pursuant to section 514 of the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act, 1997; jointly to the Committees on National Security, Education and the Workforce, and Appropriations.

6970. A letter from the Chairperson, National Council on Disability, transmitting the Council's report entitled "National Disability Policy: A Progress Report," pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 781(a)(8); jointly to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, the Judiciary, and Transportation and Infrastructure.

6971. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report in response to a congressional directive contained in House Report No. 104-173, regarding contract support cost escalation; jointly to the Committees on Resources, Appropriations, 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:

[Submitted January 29, 1998]

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 2625. A bill to redesignate Washington National Airport as "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport"; with amendments (Rept. 105-408). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

[Submitted January 30, 1998]

Mr. GOODLING: Committee on Education and the Workforce. H.R. 2846. A bill to prohibit spending Federal Education funds on national testing without explicit and specific legislation; with an amendment (Rept. 105-409). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

[Submitted February 3, 1998]

Mr. SMITH of Texas: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 429. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for special immigrant status for NATO civilian employees in the same manner as for employees of international organizations (Rept. 105-410). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

[Submitted February 3, 1998]

Mr. SOLOMON: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 344. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2625) to redesignate Washington National Airport as "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport" (Rept. 105-411). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. GOSS: Committee on Rules. House Resolutions 345. Resolution providing for

consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 107) expressing the sense of the Congress that the award of attorneys' fees, costs, and sanctions of \$285,864.78 ordered by United States District Judge Royce C. Lamberth on December 18, 1997, should not be paid with taxpayer funds (Rept. 105-412). 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. ADERHOLT (for himself, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. RILEY, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. TANNER, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. BOUCHER):

H.R. 3137. A bill to amend section 4615 of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 to delay for 18 months the prohibition of payment under the Medicare Program for home health services consisting of venipuncture solely for the purpose of obtaining a blood sample and to require submission of a report on the impact of implementing such section; 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. BACHUS (for himself, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. ADERHOLT):

H.R. 3138. A bill to require congressional approval for certain uses of the exchange stabilization fund; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. BERRY (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. STARK, Mr. FILNER, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. FROST, Mr. BAESLER, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. SANDLIN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. TANNER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. PASCRELL, and Mr. DAVIS of Illinois):

H.R. 3139. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to stop overpayment for drugs and biologicals under the Medicare Program; 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. BOSWELL (for himself and Mr. CUNNINGHAM):

H.R. 3140. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide that certain muzzle loading firearms are to be treated as antique firearms for purposes of the Federal firearms laws; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DUNCAN:

H.R. 3141. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Army to issue to certain veterans who served in the disputed Italy-Yugoslavia area at the end of World War II the "Italy" clasp for the World War II Army Occupation Medal; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA:

H.R. 3142. A bill to amend the Second Morrill Act to provide that funds for the land grant college of American Samoa shall not be subject to annual appropriation by the legislature of American Samoa; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. FOLEY (for himself, Mr. YATES, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. SHERMAN, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. FILNER, Mr. LAZIO of New York, Mr. FROST, Ms. FURSE, and Mr. HORN):

H.R. 3143. A bill to prohibit foreign insurance companies from doing business in the

United States unless they disclose any financial dealings they had with individuals who survived or died in the Holocaust, to prohibit an insured depository institution from transacting any business with or on behalf of any such foreign insurance company, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, 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. JOHNSON of Connecticut:

H.R. 3144. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional tax relief to families to increase the affordability of child care, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Government Reform and Oversight, House Oversight, 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. KLECZKA:

H.R. 3145. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility requirements for interment in Arlington National Cemetery; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. NADLER (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. HILLIARD):

H.R. 3146. A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code relating to bankruptcy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. OBERSTAR (for himself, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. OBEY, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. VISCLOSKY, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. JACKSON, and Ms. RIVERS):

H.R. 3147. A bill to authorize the United States to enter into an executive agreement with Canada relating to the establishment and operation of a binational corporation to operate, maintain, and improve facilities on the Saint Lawrence Seaway, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on International Relations, 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. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. BARCIA of Michigan, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. KILPATRICK, and Ms. CARSON):

H.R. 3148. A bill to establish food safety research, education, and extension as a priority of the Department of Agriculture, to require the use of a designated team within the Department of Agriculture to enable the Department and other Federal agencies to rapidly respond to food safety emergencies, and to improve food safety through the development and commercialization of food safety technology; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Ms. DUNN of Washington):

H.R. 3149. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the amount of the personal exemption; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GEKAS (for himself, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. BOUCHER, and Mr. MORAN of Virginia):

H.R. 3150. A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Ms. DUNN of Washington):

H.R. 3151. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce individual in-

come taxes by increasing the amount of taxable income which is taxed at the lowest income tax rate; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HAYWORTH (for himself, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. ARCHER, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. DELAY, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. COMBEST, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. CRANE, Mr. GOSS, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. SALMON, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. STUMP):

H.J. Res. 107. A joint resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the award of attorneys' fees, costs, and sanctions of \$285,864.78 ordered by United States District Judge Royce C. Lamberth on December 18, 1997, should not be paid with taxpayer funds; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

H.J. Res. 108. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to allow the limitation of contributions and expenditures respecting elections; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SAXTON:

H. Con. Res. 207. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the International Monetary Fund should raise funds in private financial markets, rather than from member countries, in order to reduce the risk of loss to United States taxpayers; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. GINGRICH (for himself and Mr. BARR of Georgia):

H. Res. 346. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued in honor of General Lucius D. Clay; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida:

H. Res. 347. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the spiraling violence in Algeria; to the Committee on International Relations.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

240. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of New Jersey, relative to Senate Resolution No. 114 urging Congress to adopt House Concurrent Resolution 14 of 1997, which encourages efforts to reunite family members separated during the Holocaust; to the Committee on International Relations.

241. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, relative to Resolution No. 1 memorializing Congress to support legislative initiatives to discourage use of public resources for movement of professional sports franchises and to repeal anti-trust exemptions for professional sports; jointly to the Committees on Commerce, the Judiciary, and Ways and Means.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 59: Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. PAXON, Mr. ROYCE, and Mr. KINGSTON.

H.R. 165: Mr. ENSIGN.

H.R. 339: Mr. NETHERCUTT.

H.R. 611: Mr. WALSH.

H.R. 685: Mr. KUCINICH.