

to candidates whose opponents exceed personal contribution limitations in an election; to the Committee on House Oversight.

By Mr. SHAW (for himself, Mr. CAMP, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. HAYWORTH, and Mr. WATKINS):

H.R. 3314. A bill to provide grants to States to encourage fathers to become better parents; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SNOWBARGER:

H.R. 3315. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to remove the limitations on amounts that may be contributed to a Federal election campaign, to require political parties to disclose transfers of certain non-Federal funds, to promote the expedited availability of reports submitted to the Federal Election Commission, to prohibit individuals not qualified to register to vote in elections for Federal office from making campaign contributions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Oversight.

By Mr. WISE:

H.R. 3316. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on IN-W4280; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HILLIARD:

H. Con. Res. 231. Concurrent resolution recognizing the National Black Law Students Association for its role in the professional development of law students, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut (for himself, Mr. MANTON, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. KAPTUR, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. TOWNS, and Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut):

H. Con. Res. 232. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that a postage stamp should be issued to honor the 150th anniversary of the emigration of over 1,000,000 people from Ireland to the United States to escape the Irish Potato Famine, and to honor the contributions these immigrants and their descendants made to the United States; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

#### ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 27: Mr. NETHERCUTT.  
H.R. 59: Mr. ARMEY, Mr. CANADY of Florida, and Mr. BARR of Georgia.

H.R. 158: Mr. SHADEGG and Mr. KIM.  
H.R. 169: Mr. BARCIA of Michigan.

H.R. 464: Mr. COOK and Mr. SKAGGS.  
H.R. 465: Mr. LAMPSON.

H.R. 758: Mr. THORNBERRY.

H.R. 859: Mr. BLUNT.

H.R. 880: Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. MICA, and Mr. EVERETT.

H.R. 939: Mr. COYNE, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, of Mr. SHAYS.

H.R. 979: Mr. EVANS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. HERGER, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. CAMPBELL, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

H.R. 981: Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. LAMPSON, and Ms. KILPATRICK.

H.R. 1009: Mr. REDMOND.

H.R. 1121: Mr. WELDON of Florida.

H.R. 1151: Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. PETRI, Mr. CRAMER, Ms. MCCARTHY

of Missouri, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. HALL of Ohio, and Mr. FORBES.

H.R. 1231: Mr. MASCARA, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. FORBES, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. COOK, Mr. CLAY, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, and Mrs. KELLY.

H.R. 1241: Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. CALVERT, and Ms. HARMAN.

H.R. 1378: Mr. BATEMAN.

H.R. 1415: Mr. COYNE.

H.R. 1515: Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina.

H.R. 1605: Mr. MILLER of California.

H.R. 1635: Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. WALSH, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. MANZULLO, and Mr. PITTS.

H.R. 1715: Mr. TALENT.

H.R. 1737: Mr. CAMP and Mr. PASCRELL.

H.R. 1766: Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. FAZIO of California, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. WYNN, and Mr. ROTHMAN.

H.R. 1823: Mr. MARTINEZ.

H.R. 1872: Mr. PASTOR.

H.R. 1891: Mr. SAM JOHNSON and Mr. SPRATT.

H.R. 1968: Mr. FORD and Ms. STABENOW.

H.R. 1972: Mr. BARCIA of Michigan.

H.R. 2052: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.

H.R. 2088: Mr. PICKERING and Mr. WALSH.

H.R. 2094: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 2173: Mr. BARCIA of Michigan.

H.R. 2185: Mr. QUINN.

H.R. 2228: Mr. RAHALL and Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 2273: Ms. PELOSI, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. VENTO, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. FORBES, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. LAMPSON, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Ms. NORTON, Mr. STOKES, Mr. WISE, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. CRAMER, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. JOHN, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. YATES, Mr. HOYER, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. ADAM SMITH of Washington, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. DICKS, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Ms. HARMAN, and Mr. ROTHMAN.

H.R. 2284: Mr. SOLOMON and Mr. ROHR-ABACHER.

H.R. 2290: Mr. KUCINICH.

H.R. 2305: Mr. REGULA.

H.R. 2374: Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut and Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 2377: Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky and Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 2408: Mr. OLVER.

H.R. 2456: Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PEASE, and Mrs. MALONEY of New York.

H.R. 2457: Mr. BILBRAY and Mr. STUPAK.

H.R. 2488: Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 2495: Mr. MATSUI.

H.R. 2515: Mr. STUPAK and Mr. THUNE.

H.R. 2524: Ms. WOOLSEY.

H.R. 2547: Mr. DEFazio, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. DEUTSCH.

H.R. 2627: Mr. SUNUNU.

H.R. 2639: Mr. BOEHLERT and Mr. BACHUS.

H.R. 2667: Mr. PAPPAS.

H.R. 2695: Mr. WEXLER and Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 2714: Mr. PAXON, Mr. COYNE, and Mr. OLVER.

H.R. 2736: Mr. HASTINGS of Florida.

H.R. 2748: Mr. HINCHEY.

H.R. 2775: Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 2819: Mr. FAZIO of California, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. BERMAN, and Mr. DREIER.

H.R. 2821: Mr. MOLLOHAN, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. EVANS, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. BARCIA of Michigan, and Mr. EHLERS.

H.R. 2829: Mr. ANDREWS, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. JOHN, Mr. KIND of Wisconsin, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. METCALF, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. SHAYS.

H.R. 2864: Mr. HAYWORTH.

H.R. 2869: Mr. HAYWORTH.

H.R. 2870: Ms. WOOLSEY and Mr. GUTIERREZ.

H.R. 2871: Mr. HAYWORTH.

H.R. 2873: Mr. HAYWORTH.

H.R. 2875: Mr. HAYWORTH.

H.R. 2877: Mr. HAYWORTH.

H.R. 2879: Mr. HAYWORTH.

H.R. 2881: Mr. HAYWORTH.

H.R. 2912: Mr. PASCRELL.

H.R. 2914: Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, and Mr. BARCIA of Michigan.

H.R. 2923: Mr. SEXTON, Mrs. MORELLA, and Mr. QUINN.

H.R. 2955: Mr. OBERSTAR and Mr. DAVIS of Florida.

H.R. 2992: Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. GIBBONS, and Mr. DOOLITTLE.

H.R. 3008: Mr. GEJDENSON, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. CLEMENT, and Mr. MARTINEZ.

H.R. 3048: Mr. KLUG, Mr. COYNE, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, and Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut.

H.R. 3049: Mr. MENENDEZ.

H.R. 3050: Mr. STUPAK, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. PORTER, Mr. OLVER, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. GREEN, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio.

H.R. 3090: Mr. TRAFICANT.

H.R. 3094: Mr. PEASE.

H.R. 3126: Ms. BROWN of Florida.

H.R. 3127: Mr. FOLEY, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. FILNER, Mr. WAMP, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. NEY, Mr. TURNER, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. HAYWORTH, and Mrs. MINK of Hawaii.

H.R. 3131: Ms. WOOLSEY and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 3134: Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. RAHALL and Mr. WISE.

H.R. 3143: Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 3149: Mr. DOOLITTLE and Mr. PAPPAS.

H.R. 3151: Mr. DOOLITTLE and Mr. PAPPAS.

H.R. 3152: Mr. BACHUS and Mrs. MYRICK.

H.R. 3154: Mr. DAVIS of Florida and Mr. WEXLER.

H.R. 3158: Mr. HUNTER, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. SOLOMON, and Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

H.R. 3175: Mr. DOOLITTLE.

H.R. 3176: Mr. BACHUS.

H.R. 3181: Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 3208: Mr. CONYERS and Mrs. CHENOWETH.

H.R. 3216: Mr. CONYERS, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FROST, and Mr. EVANS.

H.R. 3217: Mr. HERGER.

H.R. 3218: Mr. COBURN.

H.R. 3234: Mr. CALVERT, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. CANNON, and Mr. SHIMKUS.

H.R. 3246: Mr. CUNNINGHAM and Mr. KNOLLENBERG.

H.R. 3248: Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. GIBBONS, and Mr. DOOLITTLE.

H.R. 3249: Ms. NORTON and Mr. SMITH of Texas.

H.R. 3262: Ms. WATERS, Mr. STOKES, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, and Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 3265: Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. SHAYS, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. BASS, Mr. EHRLICH, and Mr. BALDACC.

H.R. 3269: Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. BOUCHER.

H.R. 3287: Ms. DELAURO.

H.R. 3290: Mr. LAZIO of New York and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 3291: Mr. DAVIS of Virginia and Mr. SNOWBARGER.

H.R. 3297: Mr. POMBO, Mr. LEWIS of California, and Mr. HAYWORTH.

H. Con. Res. 141: Mr. CALVERT.

H. Con. Res. 188: Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, and Mr. CALVERT.

H. Con. Res. 203: Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. DOYLE, Mrs. THURMAN, and Mr. KANJORSKI.

H. Con. Res. 210: Mr. DAVIS of Florida.

H. Con. Res. 211: Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. REDMOND, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SNOWBARGER, and Mr. PORTER.

H. Res. 16: Ms. SANCHEZ.

H. Res. 212: Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. FROST, Mrs. KELLY, Ms. KILPATRICK, Ms. HARMAN, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. RUSH, and Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina.

H. Res. 304: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska.

H. Res. 361: Mr. ROHRBACHER.

#### DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

H.R. 2495: Mr. WATT of North Carolina.

#### DISCHARGE PETITIONS— ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

On February 25, 1998, the following Member added his name to the following discharge petition:

Petition 1 by Mr. YATES on H. Res. 141: GEORGE E. BROWN, JR.

#### AMENDMENTS

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

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. SERRANO

AMENDMENT NO. 2: In section 5(a), add at the end the following paragraph:

(3) UNITED STATES CITIZENS BORN IN PUERTO RICO ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.—Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), an individual residing outside of Puerto Rico shall be eligible to vote in the referendum held under this Act if that individual—

(A) is a United States citizen because of that individual's birth in Puerto Rico; and

(B) would be eligible to vote in such referendum but for that individual's residency outside of Puerto Rico.

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. SOLOMON

AMENDMENT NO. 3: At the end of section 2, add the following paragraph:

(16) In 1996, the United States House of Representatives overwhelmingly declared that "the official language of the Federal Government is English". According to the 1990 United States Census, less than 24 percent of the citizens of Puerto Rico speak English fluently. The enhancement of English as the official language of Puerto Rico is consistent not only with this statement of policy, but also with the preservation of our Nation's unity in diversity and the prevention of divisions along linguistic lines. Proficiency in the English language is necessary for all citizens to enjoy the full rights and benefits of their citizenship as guaranteed by the Constitution and to contribute most effectively to the Nation in all aspects. Conducting the business of Federal and State governments in English is the best way to promote efficiency and fairness to every citizen. Only proficiency in English can provide all Americans the enjoyment of the rights and benefits of full participation in the American economy and union.

Strike subsection (b) of section 3 and insert the following new subsection:

(b) OFFICIAL LANGUAGE.—The official language of the Federal Government is English. The legislature of Puerto Rico has established a bilingual policy by making both Spanish and English official languages of Puerto Rico, but has continued to operate its government solely in Spanish, as the majority of the people in Puerto Rico are not proficient in English. In the event that the referendum held under this Act results in approval of a request to Congress that Puerto Rico be admitted to the Union as a State and the Congress approves such statehood, English will be the sole official language of all Federal Government activities in Puerto Rico and, unless otherwise provided by generally applicable Federal law, all communications with the Federal Government by the Government or people of Puerto Rico will be in English. This Act, the procedures authorized by this Act, and the possible accession of Puerto Rico to statehood do not create or alter any rights of a person to government services in languages other than English.

In section 4(a), strike paragraph (7) of subparagraph C of the referendum language and insert the following new paragraph:

"(7) English is the official language of all business and communication of the Federal Government of the United States and all communications with the Federal Government will be in English unless generally applicable Federal law provides otherwise. Puerto Rico, as a State, promotes English as the official language of the State government, courts, and agencies. English is the language of instruction in public schools."

Strike subparagraph (C) of section 4(b)(1) and insert the following new subparagraph:

(C) Additionally, in the event of a vote in favor of United States sovereignty leading to statehood, the President shall include in the transition plan provided for in this Act that the Federal and State governments implement programs and incentives to promote the acquisition and usage of English by the citizens of Puerto Rico, including but not limited to, teaching in English in public schools, the availability of fellowships and scholarships to increase the opportunities of the people of Puerto Rico to learn to speak, read, write, and understand English, and the provision of educational instruction in English to persons not in schools.

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 4: Strike section 2 and redesignate the succeeding sections accordingly.

In section 1(b), in the table of contents, strike the item relating to section 2 and redesignate the succeeding items accordingly.

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 5: In section 2, in paragraph (2), strike "Consistent with establishment of United States nationality for inhabitants of Puerto Rico under the Treaty of Paris,".

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 6: In section 2(3), strike "including" and insert "and".

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 7: In the first sentence of section 2(4), insert "to be approved by the people of Puerto Rico," after "constitution".

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 8: In the last sentence of section 2(4)—

(1) strike "remains an unincorporated territory"; and

(2) insert before the period the following: "instead the Commonwealth has a unique relationship based on a bilateral compact".

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 9: In the second sentence of section 2(5), strike "the territory" and insert "Puerto Rico".

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 10: In the first sentence of section 2(7)—

(1) insert "per curiam" and "The";

(2) strike "(651) confirmed" and insert "(651) expressed"; and

(3) strike "Constitution; and" and insert "Constitution on matters of Federal programs; nevertheless".

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 11: In the last sentence of section 2(7), strike "status which is" and all that follows through the period and insert the following: "status. However, the United States Supreme Court has never directly addressed the nature of the political status of Puerto Rico.".

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 12: In section 2(10), strike the second sentence.

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OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 13: In section 2(14), strike "United States citizens live in the islands of Puerto Rico, which" and insert "Puerto Ricans who are United States citizens".

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 14: In section 2(15), strike "status" and all that follows through the period and insert "status essentially consistent with United Nations Resolution 1541(XV)".

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 15: In section 3(a), strike "the people of the territory" and insert "Puerto Ricans".

H.R. 856

OFFERED BY: MR. GUTIERREZ

AMENDMENT NO. 16: In section 3, redesignate subsection (b) as subsection (c) and insert after subsection (a) the following:

(b) NONRESIDENT PUERTO RICANS.—(1) A substantial number of the Puerto Rican people reside outside of Puerto Rico, mostly in the several States.

(2) During any year, a large number of Puerto Ricans live in one of the several States for part of the year and in Puerto Rico for part of the year.

(3) Since the referendum held under this Act may lead to a final disposition of the political status of Puerto Rico, it is of the utmost importance that Puerto Ricans who are United States citizens residing outside of Puerto Rico be permitted to vote in such referendum.

(4) Congress recognizes the right of Puerto Ricans residing outside of Puerto Rico to vote in any referendum held under this Act and requests that the Electoral Commission of Puerto Rico to devise methods and procedures for such Puerto Ricans (including those who were born in Puerto Rico or who have at least one parent who was born in Puerto Rico) to register for and vote in absentia in any referendum held under this Act.

(5) Congress authorizes and encourages all State governments and Federal agencies to