

Chamber of Commerce, the Competitive Enterprise Institute, the National Association of Wholesaler-Distributors, Citizens Against Government Waste, the Chamber of Commerce, and many, many others.

Mr. Chairman, this is an amendment that has broad-based support because the need is very apparent. The abuse that has been throughout many administrations needs to be corrected. This amendment does correct it, does it in a reasonable and very fair way. I would urge support of the amendment.

Mr. CANADY of Florida. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Chairman, I ask that the Members of the House keep their eye on the ball as we go through this debate. We have to keep focused on what the underlying bill is about and what we are trying to accomplish in the underlying bill. That is to reform lobbying disclosure, to have meaningful disclosure of lobbying activities that go on here in Washington with the executive branch and the legislative branch.

The gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. CLINGER] has what I believe is a good idea, an idea which addresses a real problem, but I believe that his idea should go through the committee process, it should be subjected to the hearing process, there should be a markup, and his idea should move forward as a separate initiative. It only has the potential for derailing this bill which has been worked on for so long by so many different people. I know that is not the gentleman's intention, but I am very much afraid that that may be the consequence if his amendment is adopted. I urge the Members of the House to defeat this proposed amendment.

The CHAIRMAN. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. CLINGER].

The question was taken; and the Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. CANADY of Florida. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote, and pending that I make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to the order of the House of today, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. CLINGER] will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

Mr. CANADY of Florida. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly the Committee rose, and the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania] having assumed the chair, Mr. KOLBE, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill, (H.R. 2564) to provide for the disclosure of lobbying activities to influence the Federal Government, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT AND WAIVING POINTS OF ORDER AGAINST CORRECTED CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2491, SEVEN-YEAR BALANCED BUDGET RECONCILIATION ACT OF 1995

Mr. SOLOMON, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 104-348) on the resolution (H. Res. 272) authorizing a specified correction in the form of the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2491) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996, and waiving points of order against the corrected conference report, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2606, PROHIBITION ON FUNDS FOR BOSNIA DEPLOYMENTS

Mr. SOLOMON, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 104-349) on the resolution (H. Res. 273) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2606) to prohibit the use of funds appropriated to the Department of Defense from being used for the deployment on the ground of United States Armed Forces in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina as part of any peacekeeping operation, or as part of any implementation force, unless funds for such deployment are specifically appropriated by law, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, that it adjourn to meet at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

LOBBYING DISCLOSURE ACT OF 1995

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 269 and rule XXIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 2564.

IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2564). To provide for the disclosure of lobbying activities to influence the Federal Government, and for other purposes, with Mr. KOLBE in the Chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. When the Committee of the Whole rose earlier today, the

amendment offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. CLINGER] had been disposed of.

Are there further amendments to the bill?

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MS. KAPTUR

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Chairman, I offer amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

Amendment offered by Ms. KAPTUR: Page 39, redesignate sections 22 through 24 as sections 23 through 25, respectively, and insert after line 10 on page 39 the following:

SEC. 22. LIMITATION ON REPRESENTING OR ADVISING CERTAIN FOREIGN ENTITIES.

(a) AMENDMENT.—Section 207(f) of title 18, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“(f) RESTRICTIONS RELATING TO FOREIGN ENTITIES.—

“(1) PERMANENT RESTRICTION.—Any person who is an officer or employee described in paragraph (3) and who, after the termination of his or her service or employment as such officer or employee, knowingly acts as an agent or attorney for or otherwise represents or advises, for compensation, a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party, if the representation or advice relates directly to a matter in which the United States is a party or has a direct and substantial interest, shall be punished as provided in section 316 of this title.

“(2) FIVE-YEAR RESTRICTION.—Any person who is an officer or employee described in paragraph (3) and who, within 5 years after the termination of his or her service or employment as such officer or employee, knowingly acts as an agent or attorney for or otherwise represents or advises, for compensation—

“(A) a person outside of the United States, unless such person—

“(i) if an individual, is a citizen of and domiciled within the United States, or

“(ii) if not an individual, is organized under or created by the laws of the United States or of any State or other place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States and has its principal place of business within the United States, or

“(B) a partnership, association, corporation, organization, or other combination of persons organized under the laws of or having its principal place of business in a foreign country,

if the representation or advice relates directly to a matter in which the United States is a party or has a direct and substantial interest, shall be punished as provided in section 216 of this title.

“(3) PERSONS TO WHOM RESTRICTIONS APPLY.—The officers and employees referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2) to whom the restrictions contained in such paragraphs apply are—

“(A) the President of the United States; and

“(B) any person subject to the restrictions contained in subsection (c), (d), or (e).

“(4) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this subsection—

“(A) the term ‘compensation’ means any payment, gift, benefit, rewards, favor, or gratuity which is provided, directly or indirectly, for services rendered;

“(B) the term ‘government of a foreign country’ has the meaning given that term in section 1(e) of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended;

“(C) the term ‘foreign political party’ has the meaning given that term in section 1(f) of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended;

“(D) the term ‘United States’ means the several States, the District of Columbia, and