

Berthold Indian Reservation in any case in which there is consent from a majority interest in the parcel of land under consideration for lease.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2607) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2159) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS
SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills and joint resolutions:

S. 699. An act to provide for the acquisition of the Plains Railroad Depot at the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site.

S. 714. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise, extend, and improve programs for veterans.

S. 923. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit interment or memorialization in certain cemeteries of persons committing Federal or State capital crimes.

S. 1231. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the United States Fire Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 1258. An act to amend the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 to prohibit an alien who is not lawfully present in the United States from receiving assistance under that Act.

S. 1347. An act to permit the city of Cleveland, Ohio, to convey certain lands that the United States conveyed to the city.

H.R. 1086. An act to codify without substantive change laws related to transportation and to improve the United States Code.

H.R. 1090. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to allow revision of veterans benefits decisions based on clear and unmistakable error.

H.R. 1840. An act to provide a law enforcement exception to the prohibition on the advertising of certain electronic devices.

H.R. 2366. An act to transfer to the Secretary of Agriculture the authority to conduct the census of agriculture, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2813. An act to waive time limitations specified by law in order to allow the Medal of Honor to be awarded to Robert R. Ingram of Jacksonville, Florida, for acts of valor while a Navy Hospital Corpsman in the Republic of Vietnam during the Vietnam conflict.

H.J. Res. 91. Joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin Compact.

H.J. Res. 92. Joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the Alabama-Coosa-Tallapoosa River Basin Compact.

The enrolled bills and joint resolution were signed subsequently by the

President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:56 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate of the bill (H.R. 867) to promote the adoption of children in foster care, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

At 3:05 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the bills, each without amendment:

S. 1228. An act to provide for a 10-year circulating commemorative coin program to commemorate each of the 50 States, and for other purposes.

S. 1354. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for the designation of common carriers not subject to the jurisdiction of a State commission as eligible telecommunications carriers.

S. 1417. An act to provide for the design, construction, furnishing and equipping of a Center for Performing Arts within the complex known as the New Mexico Hispanic Cultural Center and for other purposes.

S. 1505. An act to make technical and conforming amendments to the Museum and Library Services Act, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3025. An act to amend the Federal charter for Group Hospitalization and Medical Services, Inc., and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1658) to reauthorize and amend the Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation Act and related laws.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 731. An act to extend the legislative authority for construction of the National Peace Garden memorial, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate numbered 1-60, 62, and 63 to the bill (H.R. 1604) to provide for the division, use, and distribution of judgment funds of the Ottawa and Chippewa Indians of Michigan pursuant to dockets numbered 18-E, 364, and 18-R before the Indian Claims Commission; and that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate numbered 61 to the said bill.

At 3:54 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 103. Concurrent resolution concerning the situation in Kenya.

H. Con. Res. 172. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress in support of efforts to foster friendship and cooperation between the United States and Mongolia, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 476. An act to provide for the establishment of not less than 2,500 Boys and Girls Clubs of America facilities by the year 2000.

At 6:25 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 196. Concurrent resolution to correct the enrollment of the bill S. 830.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2796. An act to authorize the reimbursement of members of the Army deployed to Europe in support of operations in Bosnia for certain out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the members during the period beginning on October 1, 1996, and ending on May 31, 1997.

H.R. 3034. An act to amend section 13031 of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, relating to customs user fees, to allow the use of such fees to provide for customs inspectional personnel in connection with the arrival of passengers in Florida, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3037. An act to clarify that unmarried children of Vietnamese reeducation camp internees are eligible for refugee status under the Orderly Departure Program.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 738. An act to reform the status relating to Amtrak, to authorize appropriations for Amtrak, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the amendments of the House to the bill (S. 562) to amend section 255 of the National Housing Act to prevent the funding of unnecessary or excessive costs for obtaining a home equity conversion mortgage, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill, previously received from the House of Representatives for the concurrence of the Senate, was read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 112. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to Stanislaus County, California; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 404. An act to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 to authorize the transfer to State and local governments of certain surplus property needed for use for a law enforcement or fire and rescue purpose; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 434. An act to provide for the conveyance of small parcels of land in the Carson National Forest and the Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico, to the village of El Rito and the town of Jemez Springs, New Mexico; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 764. An act to make technical corrections to title 11, United States Code, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 849. An act to prohibit an alien who is not lawfully present in the United States from receiving assistance under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 1129. An act to establish a program to provide assistance for programs of credit and other assistance for microenterprises in developing countries, and other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 1502. An act to designate the United States Courthouse located at 301 West Main Street in Benton, Illinois, as the "James L. Foreman United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 1534. An act to simplify and expedite access to the Federal courts for injured parties whose rights and privileges, security by the United States Constitution, have been deprived by final actions for Federal agencies, or other government officials or entities acting under color of State law; to prevent Federal courts from abstaining from exercising Federal jurisdiction in actions where no State law is alleged; to permit certification of unsettled State law questions that are essential to resolving Federal claims arising under the Constitution; and to clarify when government action is sufficiently final to ripen certain Federal claims arising under the Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1805. An act to amend the Auburn Indian Restoration Act to establish restrictions related to gaming on and use of land held in trust for the United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria of California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 1839. An act to establish nationally uniform requirements regarding the titling and registration of salvage, nonrepairable, and rebuilt vehicle; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 2232. An act to provide for increased international broadcasting activities to China; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 2402. An act to make technical and clarifying amendments to improve the management of water-related facilities in the Western United States; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2440. An act to make technical amendments to section 10 of title 9, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2464. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to exempt internationally adopted children 10 years of age or younger from the immunization requirement in section 212(a)(1)(A)(ii) of such Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2534. An act to reform, extend, and repeal certain agricultural research, extension, and education programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

H.R. 3037. An act to clarify that unmarried children of Vietnamese reeducation camp internees are eligible for refugee status under the Orderly Departure Program; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 2535. An act to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to allow the consolidation of student loans under the Federal Family Loan Program and Direct Loan Program; to

the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

H.R. 2616. An act to amend titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve and expand charter schools; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

H.R. 2920. An act to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigration Responsibility Act of 1996 to modify the requirements for implementation of an entry-exit control system; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The following measures were read and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 130. Concurrent Resolution concerning the situation in Kenya; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H. Con. Res. 139. Concurrent Resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the United States Government should fully participate in EXPO 2000 in the year 2000, in Hannover, Germany, and should encourage the academic community and the private sector in the United States to support this worthwhile undertaking; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H. Con. Res. 172. Concurrent Resolution expressing the sense of Congress in support of efforts to foster friendship and cooperation between the United States and Mongolia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 2709. An act to impose certain sanctions on foreign persons who transfer items contributing to Iran's efforts to acquire, develop, or produce ballistic missiles, and to implement the obligations of the United States under the Chemical Weapons Convention.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the State reported that on November 13, 1997 he had presented to the President of the United States, the following enrolled bills:

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S. 714. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise, extend, and improve programs for veterans.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following reports of committee were submitted:

By Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation To Subcommittees of Budget To-

tals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1998" (Rept. 105-155).

By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 569: A bill to amend the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-156).

By Mr. SPECTER, from the Committee on Veterans Affairs, without amendment:

S. 464: A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to allow revision of veterans benefits decisions based on clear and unmistakable error (Rept. No. 105-157).

S. 999: A bill to specify the frequency of screening mammograms provided to women veterans by the Department of Veterans Affairs (Rept. No. 105-158).

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 1172: A bill for the relief of Sylvester Flis.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. THURMOND, from the Committee on Armed Services:

William J. Lynn, III, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that he be confirmed, subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Henry G. Ulrich, III, 0000

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that he be confirmed.)

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Barry G. Silverman, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Carlos R. Moreno, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Richard W. Story, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia.

Christine O.C. Miller, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years. (Reappointment)

Robert S. Warshaw, of New York, to be Associate Director for National Drug Control Policy.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 1526. A bill to authorize an exchange of land between the Secretary of Agriculture and Secretary of the Interior and the Big