

priority concerns with national or multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs, and for other purposes, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. STENHOLM, and Mr. DOOLEY, as the managers of the conference on the part of the House.

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

H.R. 424. An act to provide for increased mandatory minimum sentences for criminals possessing firearms, and for other purposes.

H.R. 429. An act 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.

H.R. 2766. An act to designate the United States Post Office located at 215 East Jackson Street in Painesville, Ohio, as the "Karl Bernal Post Office Building."

H.R. 2773. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building."

H.R. 2836. An act to designate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 180 East Kellogg Boulevard in Saint Paul, Minnesota, as the "Eugene J. McCarthy Post Office Building."

H.R. 3116. An act to address the Year 2000 computer problems with regard to financial institutions, to extend examination parity to the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision and the National Credit Union Administration, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3120. An act to designate the United States Post Office located at 95 West #100 South in Provo, Utah, as the "Howard C. Nielson Post Office Building."

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 4:39 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 916. An act to designate the United States Post Office building located at 750 Highway 28 East in Taylorsville, Mississippi, as the "Blaine H. Eaton Post Office Building."

S. 985. An act to designate the post office located at 194 Ward Street in Paterson, New Jersey, as the "Larry Doby Post Office."

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 424. An act to provide for increased mandatory minimum sentences for criminals possessing firearms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 429. An act 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; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2766. An act to designate the United States Post Office located at 215 East Jackson Street in Painesville, Ohio, as the "Karl Bernal Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2773. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

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#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on February 25, 1998 he had presented to the President of the United States, the following enrolled bill:

S. 927. An act to reauthorize the Sea Grant Program.

#### 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. HUTCHINSON (for himself, Mr. BROWNBAC, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. GREGG, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. COATS, Mr. LOTT, Mr. MACK, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. BURNS, and Mr. FAIRCLOTH):

S. 1673. A bill to terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FAIRCLOTH:

S. 1674. A bill to establish the Commission on Legal Reform; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SHELBY (for himself, Mr. BOND, and Mr. LOTT):

S. 1675. A bill to establish a Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN:

S. 1676. A bill to amend section 507 of the Omnibus Parks and Public Land Management Act of 1996 to provide additional funding for the preservation and restoration of historic buildings and structures at historically black colleges and universities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CHAFEE (for himself, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BOND, Mr. REID, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. REED, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 1677. A bill to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Mr. HOLLINGS):

S. 1678. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to extend and clarify the pay-as-you-go requirements regarding the Social Security trust funds; to the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Governmental Affairs, jointly, pursuant to the order of August 4, 1977, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, with instructions that if one Committee reports, the other Committee have thirty days to report or be discharged.

By Mr. SARBANES (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROBB):

S. 1679. A bill to modify the conditions that must be met before certain alternative pay authorities may be exercised by the President with respect to Federal employees; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 1680. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify that licensed pharmacists are not subject to the surety bond requirements under the medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. Res. 180. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the tax exclusion for employer-provided educational assistance programs should be made permanent; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROBB (for himself and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. Res. 181. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that on March 2nd, every child in America should be in the company of someone who will read to him or her; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN (for herself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Res. 182. A resolution honoring the memory of Harry Caray; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. KERRY):

S. Res. 183. A resolution congratulating Northeastern University on providing quality higher education in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for 100 years, from 1898-1998; considered and agreed to.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. HUTCHINSON (for himself, Mr. BROWNBAC, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. GREGG, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. COATS, Mr. LOTT, Mr. MACK, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. BURNS, and Mr. FAIRCLOTH):

S. 1673. A bill to terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; to the Committee on Finance.

#### THE TAX CODE TERMINATION ACT

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I join Senator BROWNBAC in the introduction of the Tax Code Termination