

then it is their responsibility to get a job.

Responsibility has been a big word on this Republican side. But where do I see that type of responsibility being applied to HMOs? If it is not addressed by the conference committee, then that bill will not pass this House and we will end up with a big goose egg, a big zero, for addressing this major problem.

I started out this talk by saying I have been working on this for 4 years, 5 years. So has the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. Norwood), and many others on both the Republican and the Democratic sides. In the meantime, a lot of patients have been denied necessary care; a lot of patients who have ended up like that little boy from Atlanta, Georgia, with some significant deficits, if not loss of their life, as has been outlined by major magazines such as Time Magazine on feature cover stories.

It really is time, Mr. Speaker, that we addressed this issue; that we do not load up a conference report with bad ideas; that we take the bill that passed this House, a bill that could be signed into law tomorrow by President Clinton, a bill that tomorrow could be giving people around this country a fair shake by their HMOs. We ought to do it soon, and I sincerely hope that the motives of the members of the conference committee are to actually accomplish a piece of legislation and are not simply a face-saving measure because they know that this is an election year and the public is demanding that Congress take action.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. MCNULTY (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of illness.

Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today and the balance of the week on account of illness.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. METCALF) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, for 5 minutes, today and February 9.

Mr. HERGER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. COLLINS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, February 9 and 15.

Mr. SCARBOROUGH, for 5 minutes, February 9 and 10.

Mr. METCALF, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SOUDER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. NORWOOD, for 5 minutes, today and February 14 and 15.

Mr. NETHERCUTT, for 5 minutes, February 9.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1503. An Act to amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Office of Government Ethics through fiscal year 2003; to the Committee on Government Reform; in addition to the Committee on 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.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GANSKE. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 418, I move that the House do now adjourn in memory of the late Hon. Carl B. Albert.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 57 minutes p.m.), pursuant to House Resolution 418, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, February 9, 2000, at 10 a.m., in memory of the late Hon. Carl B. Albert.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6062. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a request to make available appropriations for the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Disaster relief program; (H. Doc. No. 106-193); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

6063. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting the final report on the results of the Department of Defense demonstration project for uniform funding of morale, welfare, and recreation (MWR) activities; to the Committee on Armed Services.

6064. A letter from the Director, Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, transmitting the Office's final rule—Rules of Practice and Procedure (RIN: 2550-AA04) received January 5, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

6065. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Indirect Food Additives: Adjuvants, Production Aids and Sanitizers [Docket No. 98F-1201] received January 5, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6066. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Indirect Food Additives: Adjuvants, Production Aids, and Sanitizers [Docket No. 99F-1421] received January 5, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6067. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Title V Operating Permit Deferrals for Area Sources: National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Chromium Emissions from Hard and Decorative Chromium Electroplating and Chromium Anodizing Tanks; Ethylene Oxide Commercial Sterilization and Fumigation Operations; Perchloroethylene Dry Cleaning Facilities; Halogenated Solvent Cleaning Machines; and Secondary Lead Smelting [AD-FRL-6508-7] (RIN: 2060-A158) received December 10, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6068. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Revisions to Guidelines for the Storage and Collection of Residential, Commercial, and Institutional Solid Waste [FRL-6505-6] (RIN: 2050-AE66) received December 10, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6069. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—OMB Approvals Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; Technical Amendment [FRL-6505-8] received December 10, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6070. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Part 70 Operating Permits Program; State of Missouri [MO 090-1090; 6508-4] received December 10, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6071. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plan; Indiana Volatile Organic Compound Rules [IN114-1a; FRL-6500-9] received December 10, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6072. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, South Coast Air Quality Management District, El Dorado County Air Pollution Control District, Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District, and Ventura County Air Pollution Control District [CA 031-0202; FRL-6508-5] received January 7, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6073. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, Kern County Air Pollution Control District [CA172-0203, FRL-6513-9] received January 7, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6074. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Control of VOCs from Paper, Fabric, Vinyl, and Other Plastic Parts Coating [MD090-3041; FRL-6506-9] received January 7, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6075. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Operating Permits Programs, Approval Under Section 112(1); State of Nebraska [NE 071-1071a; FRL-6521-6] received January 7, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6076. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Tennessee; Adoption of Rule Governing Any Credible Evidence [TN-146-9934a; TN-156-9935a; FRL-6520-2] received January 13, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6077. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Comprehensive Guideline for Procurement of Products Containing Recovered Materials [SWH-FRL-6524-2] received January 13, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6078. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—State of Alabama; Underground Injection Control (UIC) Program Revision; Approval of Alabama's Class II UIC Program Revision [FRL-6516-7] received January 7, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6079. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Adequacy of State Permit Programs Under RCRA Subtitle D. [FRL-6521-4] received January 7, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6080. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Amendments to the Test Procedures for Heavy-Duty Engines, and Light-Duty Vehicles and Trucks and Amendments to the Emission Standard Provisions for Gaseous Fueled Vehicles and Engines [FRL-6523-7] received January 13, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

6081. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the first report on the status of the ratification of World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty, the World Intellectual Property Organization Performances and Phonograms Treaty and related matters; to the Committee on International Relations.

6082. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department of Treasury's Commercial Activities Inventory in accordance with the Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

6083. A letter from the Under Secretary, Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department of Defense inventory of non-inherently governmental functions as required by Section 2 of the Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

6084. A letter from the Director, Retirement and Insurance Service, Office of Insurance Programs, Insurance Policy and Information Division, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule—Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Program: Life Insurance Improvements

(RIN: 3206-AI64) received January 7, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6085. A letter from the the Assistant Secretary (Civil Works), the Department of the Army, transmitting the authorization of a deep draft navigation and ecosystem restoration project for Oakland Harbor, California; (H. Doc. No. 106-191); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed.

6086. A letter from the the Assistant Secretary (Civil Works), the Department of the Army, transmitting notification that the Secretary of the Army supports the authorization and plans to implement the flood damage reduction project along the Rio Grande de Manati at Barceloneta, Puerto Rico; (H. Doc. No. 106-192); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed.

6087. A letter from the Assistant Secretary (Civil Works), Department of the Army, transmitting Volume II of the Annual Report on Civil Works Activities for Fiscal Year 1998; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6088. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Qualified Zone Academy BONDS Allocations 2000 [Rev. Pro. 2000-10] received January 5, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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:

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio: Committee on Rules, House Resolution 419. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the marriage penalty by providing that the income tax rate bracket amounts, and the amount of the standard deduction, for joint returns shall be twice the amounts applicable to unmarried individuals (Rept. 106-495). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. DAVIS of Virginia:
H.R. 3582. A bill to restrict the use of mandatory minimum personnel experience and educational requirements in the procurement of information technology goods or services unless sufficiently justified; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. LINDER (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. COLLINS, and Mr. ISAKSON):

H.R. 3583. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to exempt mass transit projects from the conformity determinations required under section 176(c) of that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BACA:
H.R. 3584. A bill to amend title 10 and 14, United States Code, to provide for the use of gold in the metal content of the Medal of Honor; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BASS:
H.R. 3585. A bill to require the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treasury to operate the land border port of entry located in Pittsburg, New Hampshire, as a full-time port of entry; to the Committee on Ways and

Means, and in addition to the Committee on 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. CALLAHAN:
H.R. 3586. A bill to provide for a biennial budget process and a biennial appropriations process and to enhance oversight and the responsibility, efficiency, and performance of the Federal Government; to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Government Reform, 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. CAMPBELL:
H.R. 3587. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Defense to establish procedures to allow persons desiring to report an instance of suspected child abuse occurring on a military installation to submit such a report anonymously and to ensure that if such a report is not made anonymously the identity of the person making the report will not be disclosed without written authorization of that person; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself and Mr. ISTOOK):

H.R. 3588. A bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to provide that the Act will not apply to employment performed in a workplace located in the employee's residence unless the employment involves hazardous materials or the workplace was created so that that Act would not apply to the workplace; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. COLLINS (for himself and Mr. TRAFICANT):

H.R. 3589. A bill to direct the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to require, as a condition of any financial assistance provided on a non-emergency basis by the Agency for a construction project, that the steel, iron, and manufactured products used in the project be produced in the United States; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. FOLEY (for himself and Mr. SHAW):

H.R. 3590. A bill to amend title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to require, as a precondition to commencing a civil action with respect to a place of public accommodation or a commercial facility, that an opportunity be provided to correct alleged violations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GIBBONS (for himself, Ms. DUNN, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. DELAY, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. BIGGERT, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. BONILLA, Mrs. BONO, Mr. BOYD, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. BUYER, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CAMP, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. CANNON, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. CHENOWETH-HAGE, Mr. COBLE, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. COOK, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. COX, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Ms. DANNER, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. DREIER, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. EHRlich, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr.