

and enhance environmental quality. In *Technology for America's Economic Growth* (February 1993) and *Technology for a Sustainable Future* (July 1994) this Administration conveyed to the American people our plans for public/private partnerships to improve the business environment, enhance access to quality education and training, support development of information infrastructure, ensure continued excellence in health care, and strengthen America's global competitiveness.

Streamlined government based on strong partnerships—within the government, with the private sector, and among nations—is a hallmark of the Clinton/Gore Administration. The “virtual department” I created by establishing the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) has cut bureaucratic red tape and produced a historic first: an integrated research and development budget that focuses on national goals. The NSTC has also produced large savings by enabling agencies to coordinate their efforts, divide tasks, and share resources.

My Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) provides critical links to industry and academia. Their oversight of NSTC activities, such as development of strategies for the management and disposition of fissile materials, promises to improve the Federal effort. So, too, do the forums and workshops that have drawn in thousands of experts and stakeholders to help develop priorities in areas as diverse as fundamental science; environmental technology; and health; safety; and food research.

I am also very proud of the steps we have taken to improve international cooperation in science and technology. Through the Gore-Chernomyrdin Commission we have used science and technology cooperation to ease the Russians' transition to democracy and a market economy. We have received valuable new technology and cultivated a crucial partner in global affairs through Russian participation in the international space station. We have used the Megasciences Forum of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and other international forums to explore ways to share the increasing costs of cutting-edge research while maintaining our position of world leadership. Bilateral science and technology cooperation with other nations, including advanced industrial economies such as Japan, and big, emerging markets such as the People's Republic of China, serve us well in the global economy—giving us access to new ideas and new technologies while creating new opportunities for business.

Economists have estimated that the social rate of return on investments in research and development averages about 50 percent, or about double the average private rate of return. Clearly a solid Federal investment program is justified even in the leanest times. It is especially important for the Federal Government to maintain its invest-

ments in science and technology when the pressures of the international competition are leading businesses to focus on shorter term payoffs at the expense of more basic, longer term, and riskier research and development.

In *Science in the National Interest* (August 1994), the Vice President and I reaffirmed our longstanding commitment to world leadership in science, mathematics, and engineering. Scientific discoveries inspire and enrich us. Equally important, science and mathematics education provides all Americans with the knowledge and skills they need to prepare for and adapt to the high-technology jobs of the future and to exercise the responsibilities of citizenship.

This Administration has articulated clear goals and established priorities for Federal spending, and our economic policies have improved the climate for private investment as well. We intend to work closely with the Congress to ensure the well-being of our children and grandchildren. These investments will prepare us for the challenges of the 21st century.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *March 29, 1995.*

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Science.

¶52.18 SUBPOENA

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. TORKILDSEN, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

SEVENTH DISTRICT, NEW JERSEY,
March 21, 1995.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you pursuant to Rule L (50) of the Rules of the House that I have been served with a subpoena issued by the Municipal Court for Manville, New Jersey.

After consultation with the General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is not consistent with the privileges and precedents of the House.

Sincerely,

BOB FRANKS,
Member of Congress.

And then,

¶52.19 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. GRAHAM, at 10 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m., the House adjourned.

¶52.20 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:

Mr. ARCHER: Committee of conference. Conference report on H.R. 831. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals, to repeal the provision permitting nonrecognition of gain on sales and exchanges effectuating policies of the Federal Communications Commission, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-92). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. QUILLEN: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 121. Resolution waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 831) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals, to repeal the provision permitting nonrecognition of gain on sales and exchanges effectuating policies of the Federal Communications Commission, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-93). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. CLINGER: Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. H.R. 1271. A bill to provide protection for family privacy; with an amendment (Rept. No. 104-94). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

¶52.21 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. BURTON of Indiana:

H.R. 1344. A bill to amend title II of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 to direct the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere to conduct a research program to evaluate technology for depositing certain waste on the deep ocean seabed; to the Committee on Science, and in addition to the Committee on Resources, 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. DAVIS (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. WALSH, Mr. DIXON, Mr. CLINGER, Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. FLANAGAN, Mr. FATTAH, Miss COLLINS of Michigan, Mr. WOLF, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. MORELLA, and Mr. WYNN):

H.R. 1345. A bill to eliminate budget deficits and management inefficiencies in the government of the District of Columbia through the establishment of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. SPENCE (for himself, Mr. DELUMS, Mr. BATEMAN, and Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi) (all by request):

H.R. 1346. A bill to amend the guarantee fee provisions of the Federal Ship Mortgage Insurance Program in the Merchant Marine Act, 1936; to the Committee on National Security.

H.R. 1347. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security.

H.R. 1348. A bill to amend the Panama Canal Act of 1979 to reconstitute the Panama Canal Commission as a United States Government corporation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security.

H.R. 1349. A bill to authorize expenditures for fiscal year 1996 for the operation and maintenance of the Panama Canal, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. SPENCE (for himself, Mr. DELUMS, and Mr. BATEMAN) (all by request):

H.R. 1350. A bill to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936 to revitalize the U.S.-flag merchant marine, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security.

By Ms. DANNER (for herself, Mr. EMERSON, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. TALENT, Mr. VOLKMER, and Mr. HANCOCK):