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9603. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting in accordance with Section 645 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2004, a report on the amount of acquisitions made by the Department from entities that manufacture the articles, materials, or supplies outside of the United States for FY 2003; to the Committee on Government Reform.

9604. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting a notice of intention to enter into a five-year contract using other than competitive procedures, pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 253(c)(7); to the Committee on Government Reform.

9605. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting a report on the Annual Inventory of Commercial and Inherently Governmental Activities for 2004, in accordance with Section 2 of the Federal Activities Inventory Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

9606. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the semi-annual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending March 31, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform.

9607. A letter from the Director, Institute of Museum and Library Services, transmitting the 2004 Annual Report to Congress, pursuant to Public Law 106-107; to the Committee on Government Reform.

9608. A letter from the Chairman, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting the Inherently Governmental and Commercial Activities Inventory as required by the Federal Activities Inventory Reform Act of 1998 (the FAIR ACT); to the Committee on Government Reform.

9609. A letter from the Assistant Chief, RPD, TTB, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Importation of Tobacco Products and Cigarette Papers and Tubes; Recodification of Regulations; Administrative Changes Due to the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (2000R-546P) [T.D. TTB-16] (RIN: 1513-AA20) received September 7, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9610. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicare Program; Inpatient Hospital Deductible and Hospital and Ex-

tended Care Services Coinsurance Amounts for 2005 [CMS-8021-N] (RIN: 0938-AN16) received September 9, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9611. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicare Program; Part A for 2005 for the Uninsured Aged and for Certain Disabled Individuals Who Have Exhausted Other Entitlement [CMS-8022-N] (RIN: 0938-AN15) received September 9, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9612. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Collected Excise Taxes; Duties of Collector [TD 9149] (RIN: 1545-BB76) received August 30, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9613. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Transfers of Compensatory Options [TD 9148] (RIN: 1545-BC06) received August 30, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9614. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Weighted Average Interest Rates Update [Notice 2004-60] received September 8, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9615. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Changes in accounting periods and in methods of accounting. (Rev. Proc. 2004-57) received September 8, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9616. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Income From Sources Within the United States (Rev. Rul. 2004-97) received September 8, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9617. A letter from the SSA Regulations Officer, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Evidence Requirements for Assignment of Social Security Numbers (SSNs); Assignment of SSNs to Foreign Academic Students in F-1 Status [Regulations No. 22] (RIN: 0960-AF87) received September 9, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9618. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicare Program; Medicare Part B Monthly Actuarial Rates, Premium Rate, and Annual Deductible Beginning January 1, 2005 [CMS-8020-N] (RIN: 0938-AN18) received September 9, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

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. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 1775. A bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to designate the oak tree as the national tree of the United States (Rept. 108-689). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 4319. A bill to complete the codification of title 46, United States Code, "Shipping", as positive law; with an amendment (Rept. 108-690). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. GILCHREST:

H.R. 5104. A bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to authorize appropriations for the John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grant Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. NEY:

H.R. 5105. A bill to authorize the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution to carry out construction and related activities in support of the collaborative Very Energetic Radiation Imaging Telescope Array System (VERITAS) project on Kitt Peak near Tucson, Arizona; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MEEHAN (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. DINGELL, and Mr. GRJALVA):

H. Res. 777. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be established a National Weatherization Day to recognize the need for reducing home energy costs, particularly for low-income families, through the use of conservation technologies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. PALLONE (for himself, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, and Mr. RANGEL):

H. Res. 778. A resolution commemorating the 100th anniversary of the birth of William "Count" Basie and acknowledging his important contributions to jazz and swing music; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 284: Mr. NUNES.

H.R. 1118: Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland.

H.R. 1160: Mr. CARSON of Oklahoma and Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 1400: Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 2187: Mr. THOMPSON of California.

H.R. 2883: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.

H.R. 3484: Mr. WU.

H.R. 4026: Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, and Mr. GILCHREST.

H.R. 4169: Mr. LATHAM and Mr. RYAN of Ohio.

H.R. 4662: Mr. DUNCAN.

H.R. 4853: Mr. ANDREWS.

H.R. 4902: Mr. McNULTY and Mr. HALL.

H.R. 4956: Mr. LEACH and Mrs. CHRISTENSEN.

H.R. 5061: Mr. MEEKS of New York and Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD.

H.R. 5079: Mr. VITTER.

H. Res. 556: Mr. BERMAN and Mr. CULBERSON.

H. Res. 579: Mr. SHAYS