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4651. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Fisheries of the Economic Exclusive Zone Off Alaska: Deep-water Species Fishery by Gear Limit in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 04112336-5040-02; I.D. 082305C] received September 20, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4652. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — International Fisheries; Pacific Tuna Fisheries; Restrictions for 2005 Longline Fishing Season in the Eastern Tropical Pacific Ocean [Docket No. 05071919-5231-05; I.D. 081105E] received September 20, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4653. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Fisheries of the Economic Exclusive Zone Off Alaska: Atka Mackeral in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 04112333-5035-02; I.D. 082305C] received September 20, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4654. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Fisheries of the Economic Exclusive Zone Off Alaska: Pollock in Statistical Area 610 of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 04112330-5035-02; I.D. 082305C] received September 20, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4655. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Fisheries of the Economic Exclusive Zone Off Alaska: Pacific Ocean Perch in the Eastern Tropical Pacific Ocean, and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 04112332-5039-02; I.D. 070805A] received September 20, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4656. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Fisheries of the Economic Exclusive Zone Off Alaska: Pacific Ocean Perch in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaskan Waters [Docket No. 04112335-5035-02; I.D. 082305A] received August 2, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4657. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Pacific Halibut Fisheries: Subsistence Fishing; Correction [Docket No. 05070617-5139-02; I.D. 051010C] received August 2, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4658. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Northwest Hawaiian Islands Management Measures [Docket No. 05070813-5139-02; I.D. 070805D] (RIN: 0660-ATF7) received September 20, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4659. A letter from the Administrator, Office of National Programs, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Labor Condition Applications and Requirements for Certain Nonimmigrants on H-1B Visas in Specialty Occupations and as Fashion Models; Labor Attestations for Certain Nonimmigrants on H-1B Visas; Notice of Certain H-1B Visas, October 11, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4660. A letter from the Administrator, Office of National Programs, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Labor Certification for the Permanent Employment of Aliens in the United States; Backlog Reduction (RIN: 1205-AB7J) received October 11, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4661. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare Management, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Care; Inpatient Prospective Payment System; Selection Criteria of Loan Program for Qualifying Hospitals Engaged in Cancer Treatment Care (CMS-1347-IP) (RIN: 0938-A003) received September 30, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4662. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare Management, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Medicare Program; Medicare Prescription Drug Discount Card; Revision of Medicare Part D Plan Sponsor Cards (CMS-4063-F) (RIN: 0938-A997) received September 1, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. MALONEY (for herself, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. SHAW, Mr. HERGER, Mr. SIMPSON, Ms. MCDONNELL, Mr. McKEON, Mr. CYNK, Mr. HARRISON, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. HART): H.R. 4090. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize the President to make grants to a number of states to assist in the recovery and reconstruction of areas severely damaged by a disaster, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. POMO (for himself and Mr. GOODLATTE): H.R. 4091. A bill to permit certain projects and activities to resume on National Forest System lands by ratifying part 215 of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, relating to notice, comment, and procedures for participation in such projects and activities; to the Committee on Resources.

By Ms. BEAN (for herself and Mr. HART): H.R. 4092. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an additional deduction for interest on first-time home loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SENSENBRUNNER (for himself and Mr. SIMPSON): H.R. 4093. A bill to provide for the appointment of additional Federal circuit and district judges, to improve the administration of justice for such purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California: H.R. 4094. A bill to amend titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act to provide for equitable health care infrastructure improvement assistance for States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. BOREN, Mr. SMITH of Texas, and Mr. CULBERSON): H.R. 4099. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Director of the National Counterterrorism Center to: (1) establish, and to remotely establish, centers of excellence to share information throughout the United States; (2) establish Border Interagency Coordination Centers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. BAKER: H.R. 4100. A bill to establish the Louisiana Recovery Corps for purposes of economic reconstruction following a disaster, and to authorize the expenditure of $10 billion in Federal funds to assist the state of Louisiana, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. BISHOP of New York (for himself, Mrs. ACKERMAN, Mr. MCCARTHY, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. KUHL of New York, Mr. SIMPLER, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. WALSH, Mr. HINCHISSION, Mr. NADLER, Mr. OWENS, Ms. VELAZQUES, Ms. MALONEY, Ms. LOWEY, Mr. RYNDERS, Ms. S. TOWNS, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. SWENNY, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. MEeks of New York, and Mrs. KELLY): H.R. 4101. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 East Main Street in patchogue, New York, as the “Lieutenant Michael P. Murphy Post Office Building”; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio: H.R. 4102. A bill to amend title 33, United States Code, to provide for compulsory licensing of certain patented inventions relating to health care emergencies; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. STARK, and Mr. SCHALLSTEINER): H.R. 4103. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for improved accessibility to outpatient drug and prescription drug programs; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on 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. BOHNER (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. JINDAL, Mr. SAM JONSON of Texas, Mr. SMITH of South Carolina, Ms. KLINE, Mrs. MUGRAGE, Miss McCORRIS, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. FORTUNO, Mr. BOUTSTANT, Ms. FOXX, Mrs. DAVIS of Delaware, Mr. BEHNSK, Mr. HORN, Mr. HELDORF of Florida, Mr. MCDOWELL, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. TAYLOR of New York, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. KUHL of New York, Mr. PAUL, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. FORTUÑO, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. GABRETT of New Jersey, and Mr. LINDER): H.R. 4096. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide alternative minimum tax relief available in 2005 and to index such relief for inflation; to the Committee on Ways and Means.
By Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida:

H.R. 4104. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code to allow a deduction for qualified long-term care services in computing adjusted gross income; to the Committee on Ways and Means:

By Mr. BUTTERFIELD:

H.R. 4105. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate the Perquimans River and its tributaries in Perquiman County, North Carolina, for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources:

By Mr. CASTLE (for himself, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. KINK, and Mr. MILLER of California (for the State of Pennsylvania)):

H.R. 4106. A bill to provide for the security and safety of rail transportation systems in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security:

By Mr. CUMMINGS (for himself, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. COURNOYER, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. WYNN, Mr. VAN HOLEN, and Mr. RUPPERSBERGER):

H.R. 4107. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1295 North Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the “Maryland State Delegate Lena K. Lee Post Office Building”; to the Committee on Government Reform:

By Mr. CUMMINGS (for himself, Mr. HOYER, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, and Mr. RUPPERSBERGER):

H.R. 4108. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3000 Homewood Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the “Flora C. Simon, Verona Welcome, and Dr. Henry Welcome Post Office Building”; to the Committee on Government Reform:

By Mr. CUMMINGS (for himself, Mr. HOYER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, and Mr. RUPPERSBERGER):

H.R. 4109. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6018 Liberty Road in Baltimore, Maryland, as the “United States Representative Parren J. Mitchell Post Office”; to the Committee on Government Reform:

By Mr. CAMEL GLUE (for himself, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. Bishop of New York, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. ETHEREDGE, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. GRIALVA, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. LEE, Mr. MCCOY, Mr. MALONEY, Mr. MEEK, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. NADLER, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SLAUGHTER, Mr. STARK, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. WOMACK, and Mr. WEXLER):

H.R. 4110. A bill to require grants to State and local governments for infrastructure and social services needs in the same amount as the amount of relief and reconstruction funds provided to Iraq; to the Committee on Government Reform:

By Mr. FORTUNO:

H.R. 4111. A bill to redesignate the Caribbean National Forest in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as the El Yunque National Forest; to require reports on resources:

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Mr. OWENS, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ):

H.R. 4112. A bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish national emergency centers on military installations; to require reports on transportation and infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; to the Committee on Homeland Security in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. HAYES:

H.R. 4113. A bill to provide for a reduction in pay for Members of Congress; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on 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. LOBIONDO (for himself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mrs. EMON):

H.R. 4114. A bill to prohibit the sale of crude oil, natural gas, or petroleum distillates at an unjust or unreasonable price; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce:

By Mr. MARSHALL:

H.R. 4115. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Post Office Building at 118 East Hancock Street in Milledgeville, Georgia, as the “Bodie Davis Simmons Post Office Building”; to the Committee on Government Reform:

By Mrs. MCCARTHY:

H.R. 4116. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Transportation from establishing the rounding of a locomotive horn in suburban areas on peak traffic hours; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:

By Mr. MELANCON (for himself, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. JINDAL, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Mrs. MALONEY):

H.R. 4117. A bill to permit the cancellation of certain loans under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:

By Mr. PAUL:

H.R. 4118. A bill to prohibit Federal payment, insurance, or indemnification, or organization that engages in human cloning; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce:

By Mr. PAUL:

H.R. 4119. A bill to strengthen Federal leadership in promoting public health outreach and guidance, and provide other support to State and local officials to achieve communications interoperability, to foster improved regional collaboration and coordination, to provide more efficient utilization of funding devoted to public safety communications, to promote research and development for first responder communications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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. POE:

H.R. 4120. A bill to eliminate the Western Hemisphere travel exception by requiring a passport for all travel into and out of the United States and to require the Secretary of State to endeavor to persuade all countries to issue machine-readable passports that comply with a uniform document identifying standard; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on International Relations, 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. SODREL:

H.R. 4121. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to extend military commissary and exchange store privileges to veterans with a compensable service-connected disability and their dependents; to the Committee on Armed Services:

By Mr. TANNER:

H.R. 4122. A bill to establish the Comprehensive Emergency Reform Commission to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. WELDON of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and Mr. BROWN of South Carolina):

H.R. 4123. A bill to amend section 4706 of title 49, United States Code, to require operating certificates for foreign large cargo operations are conducted; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California:

H.R. 4124. A joint resolution relating to a national emergency declared by the President on September 8, 2005; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:

By Mr. BARTON of Texas (for himself, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. CONEY, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. UPTON, Mrs. CUHIN, Mr. BASS, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. SHADROZ, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. BISHAKS, Mr. MAERER, Mr. MCGOVEN, Mr. HENRARING, Mr. ORTIZ, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. OTTER, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. MCCaul of Texas, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mrs. APPS, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Mr. CANTOR, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. NOEWOOD, Mrs. BONO, Mr. WATT, Mr. GILLMOR, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. RUSH, Mr. BUYER, Mr. BONKERT, Mr. STEARNS, and Mr. TERRY):

H. Con. Res. 269. Concurrent resolution recognizing the 40th anniversary of the White House Fellows Program to the Committee on Government Reform:

By Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (for herself and Mr. MEEKS of New York):

H. Con. Res. 270. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress to honor those in Pakistan who lost their lives as a result of the earthquake that affected South Asia on October 8, 2005; to the Committee on International Relations:

By Mr. MEEKS of New York (for himself, Mr. RANGEL, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. NORTON, Ms. MILLER-MCDONALD, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. WATT, Mr. ABRICCHIORE, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. FILNER, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ):

H. Con. Res. 271. Concurrent resolution honoring the graduates of the House Fellows Program and Judge Constance Baker Motley and recognizing her as a symbol of hope and inspiration to women; to the Committee on the Judiciary:

By Mr. WEXLER (for himself and Ms. HARIES):

H. Con. Res. 272. Concurrent resolution expressing support for the current standards of the Federal mortgage interest tax deduction; to the Committee on Ways and Means:

By Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida:

H. Res. 504. A resolution commending the people of the Republic of Iraq for holding a successful referendum on self-determination for Iraq; to the Committee on International Relations:

By Mr. KUCINICH:

H. Res. 505. A resolution requesting the President of the United States and directing the Secretary of State to provide to the House of Representatives documents in their possession relating to the White House Iraq Group; to the Committee on International Relations:

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 21: Ms. Matsu