

There was no objection.
The Clerk read the bill, as follows:

H.R. 5426

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Technical Corrections Act of 2004".

SEC. 2. REQUIREMENTS FOR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICES.

Section 93(a)(19) of title 14, United States Code, as amended by section 201 of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-293; 118 Stat. 1031), is amended by redesignating subparagraphs (1) and (2) in order as subparagraphs (A) and (B).

SEC. 3. CORRECTION OF AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER ANALYSIS.

Section 212(b) of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-293; 118 Stat. 1037) is amended by inserting "of title 14" after "chapter 17".

SEC. 4. RECOMMENDATIONS TO CONGRESS BY COMMANDANT OF THE COAST GUARD.

Section 93(a) of title 14, United States Code, as amended by sections 201 and 217 of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-293; 118 Stat. 1031, 1038), is amended by redesignating paragraph (y) as paragraph (24).

SEC. 5. DETERMINING ADEQUACY OF POTABLE WATER.

Section 3305(a) of title 46, United States Code, as amended by section 416(b)(3) of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-293; 118 Stat. 1047), is amended by moving paragraph (2) two ems to the left, so that the material preceding subparagraph (A) of such paragraph aligns with the left-hand margin of paragraph (1) of such section.

SEC. 6. RENEWAL OF ADVISORY GROUP.

Section 418(a) of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-293; 118 Stat. 1049) is amended by striking "of September 30, 2005" and inserting "on September 30, 2005".

SEC. 7. VESSEL RESPONSE PLANS.

Section 311 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1321), as amended by section 701 of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-293; 118 Stat. 1067), is amended by striking "non-tank" each place it appears and inserting "nontank".

SEC. 8. CORRECTION TO SUBTITLE DESIGNATION.

(a) REDESIGNATION.—Title 46, United States Code, is amended by redesignating subtitle VI as subtitle VII.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of subtitles at the beginning of title 46, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to subtitle VI and inserting the following:

"VII. MISCELLANEOUS 70101".

SEC. 9. CORRECTIONS TO CHAPTER 701 OF TITLE 46, UNITED STATES CODE.

Chapter 701 of title 46, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(1) Sections 70118 and 70119, as added by section 801 of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-293; 118 Stat. 1078), are redesignated as sections 70117 and 70118, respectively, and moved to appear immediately after section 70116 of title 46, United States Code.

(2) Sections 70117 and 70118, as added by section 802 of such Act (Public Law 108-293; 118 Stat. 1078), are redesignated as sections 70120 and 70121, respectively, and moved to

appear immediately after section 70119 of title 46, United States Code.

(3) In section 70120(a), as redesignated by paragraph (2) of this section, by striking "section 70120" and inserting "section 70119".

(4) In section 70121(a), as redesignated by paragraph (2) of this section, by striking "section 70120" and inserting "section 70119".

(5) In the analysis at the beginning of the chapter, by striking the items relating to sections 70117 through the second 70119 and inserting the following:

"70117. Firearms, arrests, and seizure of property.

"70118. Enforcement by State and local officers.

"70119. Civil penalty.

"70120. In rem liability for civil penalties and certain costs.

"70121. Withholding of clearance.".

SEC. 10. TECHNICAL CORRECTION REGARDING TANK VESSEL ENVIRONMENTAL EQUIVALENCY EVALUATION INDEX.

Section 4115(e)(3) of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (46 U.S.C. 3703a note) is amended by striking "hull" the second place it appears.

SEC. 11. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect August 9, 2004.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COMMENDING THE AERO SQUAD AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM AT TOMORROW'S AERONAUTICAL MUSEUM IN COMPTON, CALIFORNIA, AND OTHER YOUTH AVIATION PROGRAMS THAT EXPOSE YOUNG MINORITIES TO CIVIL AVIATION

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure be discharged from further consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 532) commending the Aero Squad After School Program at Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum in Compton, California, as well as other youth aviation programs that expose young minorities to the field of civil aviation, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

Mr. OBERSTAR. Reserving the right to object, Mr. Speaker, H. Con. Res. 532 submitted by the chairman is a very commendable bill which acknowledges the work of the Aero Squad After School Program at the Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum in Compton, California, that will give young minority aviators experience in the field of civil aviation.

Further reserving the right to object, I yield to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD) for her comments on the bill, as she has a response to the bill which our committee has reported out.

Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for his support on this.

Mr. Speaker, today it is my pleasure to bring to the Congress this resolution

congratulating the Aero Squad Program at Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum located in my district of Compton, California. It is this program that provides young persons who want to learn how to fly the opportunity to do just that.

Mr. Speaker, a young constituent of mine, Kenny Roy, as a part of his school program, traveled to Canada. Upon entering Canada, Kenny passed the written, medical, and flying portions of the pilot exam to become the youngest African American pilot in the world. It is these types of opportunities that are given to these young folks as well as women that we applaud today.

Mr. Speaker, I am very pleased that I was able to submit this and that the Congress is supporting this resolution.

Mr. Speaker, today it is my pleasure to bring before Congress a resolution congratulating the Aero Squad Program at Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum, located at the Compton, California Airport in my district, for providing new and innovative teaching programs that expose young minorities and women to aeronautics.

On September 23, 2004, Mr. Speaker, a young constituent of mine, Kenny Roy, as part of the after-school program, traveled to Canada. Upon entering Canada, Kenny passed the written, medical, and flying portions of the pilot exam to become the youngest African American pilot in the world.

This opportunity was made available to Kenny through an innovative after-school program in Compton, California. This program, located in my district, combines two of my passions, after-school programs for our Nation's youth and providing opportunities for minorities and women in transportation.

This program, the Aero Squad after-school program, provides opportunities for our children that would otherwise not have this opportunity unless they enlisted in the armed services. This "learn-while-you-earn-program" was created by Mr. Robin Petgrave, who is a licensed pilot. Mr. Petgrave dedicates his time and resources as a commercial pilot so that these children are exposed to civil aviation at its finest.

As a former school teacher and administrator, I am well aware that innovative approaches to teaching our children are few and far between. It is programs like these that embolden the youth of America to reach for the skies.

These children in Compton are able to earn "credits" by performing community service. Credits can then be traded in toward flight lessons.

It is my hope, Mr. Speaker, that we can continue to provide these opportunities that encourage young minorities and women to consider careers in transportation. I am inspired by the creativity and innovation that the Aero Squad Program embodies. I look forward in the 109th Congress to help support programs such as this, which combine innovative teaching approaches with cutting-edge opportunities.

I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the House unanimously pass this measure.

Mr. OBERSTAR. Mr. Speaker, further reserving the right to object, I yield to the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. LOBIONDO), the chairman of the subcommittee.

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, I commend the gentlewoman from California. Education, guidance and opportunity are key ingredients to success, and I commend the gentlewoman for her initiative on this motion. I urge all of my colleagues to support it.

Mr. OBERSTAR. Mr. Speaker, further reserving the right to object, I would simply note that the air patrol in Minnesota has a similar program, we call it the Young Eagles, to bring young people into participation in aviation at an early age. It is beneficial to all of aviation.

Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the concurrent resolution, as follows:

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Whereas youth participants perform community service in exchange for flight lessons and instruction courses offered through the Aero Squad After School Program at Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum in Compton, California;

Whereas the Aero Squad After School Program, founded by Robin Petgrave, provides a haven for young people to work and develop workplace ethics while taking seminars that focus on mathematics, airplane maintenance, and motor maintenance: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That Congress—

(1) commends the Aero Squad After School Program at Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum in Compton, California, as well as other youth aviation programs that expose young minorities to the field of civil aviation through engineering, science, and mathematics enrichment courses;

(2) commends civil aviation enrichment programs that encourage minorities and underrepresented groups to enter the field of civil aviation; and

(3) congratulates the graduates of the Aero Squad After School Program at Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum in Compton, California, who have obtained pilot licenses, including Kenny Roy, who obtained his student pilot license in Canada.

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 5426 and H. Con. Res. 532.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, your committee appointed to join a committee of the Senate to inform the President that the Congress is ready to adjourn

and to ask him if he has any further communications to make to the Congress has performed that duty. The President has directed us to say that he has no further communications to make to the Congress.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 7, 2003, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Ms. WOOLSEY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. WOOLSEY addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

EXPRESSING FRUSTRATION REGARDING APPROPRIATIONS PROCESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. WHITFIELD) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. WHITFIELD. Mr. Speaker, as we conclude the 108th Congress, I think all of us who served in this body feel a great sense of pride and accomplishment for the legislation that we passed that will have a positive impact on our Nation. I think also many of us have a great deal of regret over legislation that did not pass that we needed to pass to address serious issues facing our great Nation.

I am really reluctant at this time to talk about matters that I find frustrating for me personally, but I am not going to be critical of any Member, of course. But one of the processes that seems to be taking place certainly in the House of Representatives is that each year we take up more and more of the legislative calendar to pass appropriation bills. It seems that each year we do not pass all of the appropriation bills. Then what happens is at the end of the year we come forth with a gigantic omnibus bill. This year was no exception. That is one of the reasons that a few years ago on this floor, we had a vote to go to a 2-year appropriation cycle so that one year we could appropriate money for the government, and the next year we could debate substantive issues.

But as I stated earlier, we find ourselves this year with a gigantic omnibus bill once again. The sad thing about it is that when that bill went over to the Senate, many provisions were placed into that bill, and the Members of the House of Representatives never had an opportunity to vote on the bill. I just want to give one example of a substantive policy that was made because of legislation adopted on the Senate side that was never, we never had an opportunity to vote for on this side.

The Bureau of Land Management oversees approximately 261 million acres of public lands, and more than 29 million acres of that land is used for wild horses and burro grazing. Now, because of section 142 being inserted into the omnibus bill on which there was no disclosure, no one knew about it; as I said earlier, we never had an opportunity to vote on it on the House side, 31 years of policy relating to public lands and wild burros and wild horses grazing on those lands were changed. As a matter of fact, the change will no longer protect those wild horses and burros on the public lands. Someone, and it is unclear who, will decide that there may be an excessive number of these animals out there, and those animals will be disposed of.

Now, prior to this year's omnibus bill, in every appropriation bill relating to BLM lands, it said, "Appropriations herein made shall not be available for the destruction of healthy, unadopted wild horses and burros in the care of the Bureau or its contractor." Of course, the omnibus bill eliminated that language as well.

So we leave here at the end of this 108th Congress by action taken in the dark of night, without the knowledge of anyone, that changes 31 years of policy relating to the way we manage Bureau of Land Management and the animals, the wild horses and burros on those properties.

I, for one, am quite frustrated by this process. It seems that each year we come with gigantic omnibus bills. This one exceeded I have been told over 3,000 pages. Most Members, of course, do not know what was in it. But the really disappointing thing to me, and I stress that, was the fact that on the House side, we never had an opportunity to vote on those changes made by the Senate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Ms. LEE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. LEE addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. STUPAK. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to proceed out of order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

CALLING FOR RESTRICTIONS ON ACNE DRUG ACCUTANE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. STUPAK) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. STUPAK. Mr. Speaker, I come here tonight concerned about drug safety and to speak out to protect our