

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

5266. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on U.S. military personnel and U.S. individual civilians retained as contractors involved in supporting Plan Colombia, pursuant to Public Law 106-246, section 3204 (f) (114 Stat. 577); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5267. A letter from the Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of General Robert H. Foglesong, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5268. A letter from the Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of the enclosed list of officers to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5269. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting written notification of the determination that a public health emergency exists and has existed in the state of Texas and Louisiana since September 20, 2005, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 247d(a) Public Law 107-188, section 144(a); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5270. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, DEA, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Schedules of Controlled Substances; Placement of Pregabalin Into Schedule V [Docket No. DEA-267F] received September 2, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5271. A letter from the Senior Vice President, Policy & Government Affairs, Verizon Wireless, transmitting a letter from Denny Strigl, CEO of Verizon Wireless, provided to Federal Communications Commission Chairman Kevin Martin regarding the company's efforts to serve customers impacted by Hurricane Katrina; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5272. A letter from the Office of Independent Counsel, transmitting the annual report on Audit and Investigative Activities, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 595(a)(2); to the Committee on Government Reform.

5273. A letter from the Executive Director, Federal Reinvestment Thrift Investment Board, transmitting a list of the five audit reports issued during fiscal year 2005 regarding the Agency and the Thrift Savings Plan; to the Committee on Government Reform.

5274. A letter from the General Counsel, Institute of Museum and Library Services, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

5275. A letter from the Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "Letter to Chairman Cropp and Members of the Council of the District of Columbia on the Auditor's Concerns Regarding Matters that May Adversely Affect the Financial Operations of the Washington Convention Center."; to the Committee on Government Reform.

5276. A letter from the Office of the Special Counsel, transmitting the fiscal year 2005 reports required by the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act and the Inspector General Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform.

5277. A letter from the Acting Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's Seventeenth Report of the Federal Absentee Voting Act; to the Committee on House Administration.

5278. A letter from the Acting Inspector General, House of Representatives, transmitting the final report on the U.S. House of Representatives Child Care Center; to the Committee on House Administration.

5279. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Sabine-Neches Canal to Sabine River, Orange, TX [COTP Port Arthur-05-001] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5280. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Napa River, California [COTP San Francisco Bay 05-001] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5281. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Moving Safety Zone — Motor Vessel ZHEN HUA; San Francisco Bay, California [COTP San Francisco Bay 05-002] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5282. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Security Zones for designated vessels; Savannah COTP Zone [COTP Savannah 04-065] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5283. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Savannah River, Savannah, GA [COTP Savannah-05-011] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5284. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Missouri River Mile Marker 731.5 to Mile Marker 731.9, South Sioux City, ONE [COTP St. Louis-04-047] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5285. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River Mile Marker 203.0 to Mile Marker 205.0, Alton, IL [COTP St. Louis-05-002] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5286. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Pensacola Caucus Channel and Pensacola Bay Channel, Pensacola, FL [COTP Mobile-04-060] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5287. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Bayou Casotte Ship Channel, Horn Island Ship Channel, Pascagoula, MS [COTP Mobile-04-062] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5288. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Gulf Intracoastal Waterway Mile 222 to Mile 225, Destin, FL [COTP Mobile-04-063] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5289. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Mile Marker 122.0 to Mile Marker 134.0, Above Head of Passes, Laplace, LA [COTP New Orleans-05-011] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5290. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Mile Marker 126.0 to Mile Marker 134.0, Above Head of Passes, Laplace, LA [COTP New Orleans-05-012] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5291. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Below Head of Passes, Mile Marker Minus 18.0 to Mile Marker Minus 20.0, in the vicinity of the entrance to Southwest Pass, LA [COTP New Orleans-05-013] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5292. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Mile Marker 177.0 to Mile Marker 180.0, Above Head of Passes, Geismar, LA [COTP New Orleans-05-014] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5293. A letter from the Acting Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Mile Marker 148.0 to Mile Marker 158.0, Above Head of Passes, Convent, LA [COTP New Orleans-05-015] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 8, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5294. A letter from the Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the FY 2004 annual report on the Federal participation in the development and use of voluntary consensus standards, pursuant to Public Law 104-113, section 12(d)(3) (110 Stat. 783); to the Committee on Science.

5295. A letter from the Acting President & CEO, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's annual Management Report for FY 2004, Performance Budget for FY 2006, Performance and

Accountability Report for FY 2004, and Report on Development and U.S. Effects on OPIC's FY 2004 projects and Report on Cooperation with Private Insurers, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106; jointly to the Committees on Government Reform and International Relations.

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. BARTON of Texas: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 3889. A bill to further regulate and punish illicit conduct relating to methamphetamine, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 109-299 Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. THOMAS: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 4297. A bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201(b) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006; with an amendment (Rept. 109-304). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

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Mr. WALSH: Committee of Conference. Conference report on H.R. 2528. A bill making appropriations for military quality of life functions of the Department of Defense, military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes. (Rept. 109-305). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. GINGREY: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 563. Resolution waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (Rept. 109-306). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. KNOLLENBERG: Committee of Conference. Conference report on H.R. 3058. A bill making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes (Rept. 109-307). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. GINGREY: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 564. Resolution waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2528) making appropriations for military quality of life functions of the Department of Defense, military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes (Rept. 109-308). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 565. Resolution waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 3058) making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes (Rept. 109-309). Referred to the House Calendar.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the Committees on International Relations and Transportation and Infrastructure discharged from further consideration. H.R. 3889 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER:

H.R. 4356. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to fraud in connection with major disaster or emergency funds; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GUTKNECHT (for himself, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. EVANS, Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota, Mr. KLINE, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Ms. HERSETH, Mr. GOODE, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. TERRY, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. WAMP, Mr. GERLACH, and Ms. KAPTUR):

H.R. 4357. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to require all gasoline sold for use in motor vehicles to contain 10 percent renewable fuel in the year 2010 and thereafter, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Mr. HINCHEY, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. CROWLEY, Ms. LEE, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. KILDEE, and Mr. SANDERS):

H.R. 4358. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for emergency distributions of influenza vaccine; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. WAMP:

H.R. 4359. A bill to amend section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding challenging academic content standards for physical education; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. CULBERSON (for himself, Mr. REYES, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CARTER, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. GOODE, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. HALL, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. POE, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. TANCREDO, and Mr. THORBERRY):

H.R. 4360. A bill to enforce law and order by establishing a program to authorize, fund, and otherwise assist local Sheriffs' offices in designated counties to provide a second line of defense alongside and in close cooperation with the United States Customs Border Protection (CBP) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement, to conduct law enforcement operations in their counties along the southern international border of the United States, and to prevent lawlessness in border areas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RAMSTAD (for himself and Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi):

H.R. 4361. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and enhance educational assistance for survivors and dependents of veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 4362. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require the prorating of Medicaid beneficiary contributions in the case of partial coverage of nursing facility services during a month; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 4363. A bill to provide grants to enable States to include iris scan information from

certain convicted criminals in State criminal records systems, to provide for the use of the information by the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, and to require Federal firearms dealers to obtain iris scan information from prospective firearms purchasers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina (for himself and Mr. BROWN of South Carolina):

H.R. 4364. A bill to protect the right of elected and appointed officials to express their religious beliefs through public prayer; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BONO (for herself, Ms. HOOLEY, Mrs. CUBIN, Ms. HERSETH, Mr. REHBERG, and Ms. KAPTUR):

H.R. 4365. A bill to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to implement mandatory country of origin labeling requirements for meat and produce on September 30, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida (for herself and Mr. SHAW):

H.R. 4366. A bill to establish a program to provide reinsurance for State natural catastrophe insurance programs to help the United States better prepare for and protect its citizens against the ravages of natural catastrophes, to encourage and promote mitigation and prevention for, and recovery and rebuilding from such catastrophes, and to better assist in the financial recovery from such catastrophes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. CAPPS (for herself, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mrs. LOWEY):

H.R. 4367. A bill to improve the health care system's response to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking through the training and education of health care providers, developing comprehensive public health responses to violence; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. FORTUNO:

H.R. 4368. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 60 Calle McKinley, West in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, as the "Miguel Angel Garcia Mendez Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. HYDE:

H.R. 4369. A bill to withhold amounts available for contributions to the regular assessed budget of the United Nations unless certain requirements relating to the transfer and public availability of the complete archive of files of the Independent Inquiry Committee into the Oil-for-Food Program are met; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. INSLEE:

H.R. 4370. A bill to provide incentives to the auto industry to accelerate efforts to develop more energy-efficient vehicles to lessen dependence on oil; 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. LEWIS of Kentucky (for himself and Mr. SHAW):

H.R. 4371. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase the per resident payment floor for direct graduate medical education payments under the Medicare Program; 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.