

4437) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to strengthen enforcement of the immigration laws, to enhance border security, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. McHUGH (at the request of Mr. BLUNT) for today until 2:00 p.m. on account of attending a funeral.

Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida (at the request of Mr. BLUNT) for today on account of family reasons.

Mr. HYDE (at the request of Mr. BLUNT) for today and December 16 on account of illness in the family.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. WOOLSEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. HOYER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WYNN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SCHIFF, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. EMANUEL, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MCDERMOTT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. VAN HOLLEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BLUMENAUER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KIND, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. OSBORNE) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. OSBORNE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, December 16.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia, for 5 minutes, December 16.

Mr. WELDON of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FORTENBERRY, for 5 minutes, December 16.

Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes, today and December 16.

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, December 16.

Mr. HAYES, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. KING of Iowa, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GOHMERT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GINGREY, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1390. An act to reauthorize the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Resources.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mrs. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 327. An act to allow binding arbitration clauses to be included in all contracts affecting land within the Gila River Indian Community Reservation.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 335. An act to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. COLE of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 16 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned until today, Friday, December 16, 2005, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

5688. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Information Technology Equipment — Screening of Government Inventory [DFARS Case 2003-D054] received December 5, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5689. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contract Modifications [DFARS Case 2003-D024] received December 5, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5690. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contract Administration [DFARS Case 2003-D023] received December 5, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5691. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Extraordinary Contractual Actions [DFARS Case

2003-D048] received November 16, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5692. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Acquisition of Telecommunications Services [DFARS Case 2003-D055] received November 16, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

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:

[Filed on December 16 (legislative day of December 15), 2005]

Mr. COLE of Oklahoma: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 619. Resolution providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 612) expressing the commitment of the House of Representatives to achieving victory in Iraq (Rept. 109-348). 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. RAMSTAD (for himself, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. KELLER, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. FEENEY, Mr. HAYWORTH, and Mr. BEAUPREZ):

H.R. 4549. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the disclosure of certain prisoner return information to prison officials; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DENT (for himself and Mr. HONDA):

H.R. 4550. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish, promote, and support a comprehensive prevention, education, research, and medical management program that will lead to a marked reduction in liver cirrhosis and a reduction in the cases of, and improved survival of, liver cancer caused by chronic hepatitis B infection; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN:

H.R. 4551. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to improve choices available to Medicare eligible seniors by permitting them to elect (instead of regular Medicare benefits) to receive a voucher for a health savings account, for premiums for a high deductible health insurance plan, or both and by suspending Medicare late enrollment penalties between ages 65 and 70; 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. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. REGULA, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MURTHA, and Mr. COSTELLO):

H.R. 4552. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on N-Cyclohexylthiophthalimide; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. REGULA, Mr.

LATOURETTE, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MURTHA, and Mr. COSTELLO):

H.R. 4553. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4,4'-Dithiodimorpholine; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. REGULA, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MURTHA, and Mr. COSTELLO):

H.R. 4554. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Tetraethylthiuram Disulfide; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. REGULA, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MURTHA, and Mr. COSTELLO):

H.R. 4555. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Tetramethylthiuram Disulfide; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DINGELL (for himself and Mrs. MALONEY):

H.R. 4556. A bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to make a grant to a public university to establish the Center for the Study of Women and Workplace Policy; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. GERLACH:

H.R. 4557. A bill to amend part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to remove the Medicare prescription drug benefit late enrollment penalty and to extend the initial enrollment period for 2006 through July 15, 2006; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. GOHMERT (for himself, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mrs. DRAKE, Mr. OTTER, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. HALL, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. MARCHANT, and Ms. FOXX):

H.R. 4558. A bill to prohibit United States assistance to foreign countries that oppose the position of the United States in the United Nations; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin:

H.R. 4559. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain National Forest System land to the towns of Laona and Wabeno, Wisconsin, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain isolated parcels of National Forest System land in Florence and Langlade Counties, Wisconsin, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. DUNCAN:

H.R. 4560. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize appropriations for State water pollution control revolving funds, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Resources, and the Budget, 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 Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas (for herself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. REYES, Mr. DOGGETT, and Mr. HINOJOSA):

H.R. 4561. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8624 Ferguson Road in Dallas, Texas, as the "Francisco 'Pancho' Medrano Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. HYDE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. WOLF, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. CROWLEY, Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California, Mr. SABO, Mr. WALSH, and Mrs. MALONEY):

H.R. 4562. A bill to award a congressional gold medal to Tenzin Gyatso, the Fourteenth Dalai Lama, in recognition of his many enduring and outstanding contributions to peace, nonviolence, human rights and religious understanding; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. RYUN of Kansas:

H.R. 4563. A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide improved interest rate relief for servicemembers during periods of military service; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi:

H.R. 4564. A bill to make improvements in the administration of charitable donations made in the aftermath of disasters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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 Ms. VELAZQUEZ (for herself, Mr. BARROW, Ms. BEAN, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. CASE, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. MICHAUD, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California):

H.R. 4565. A bill to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to establish the Angel Investment Program; to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. CONYERS (for himself, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OWENS, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. NADLER, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. HINCHAY, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HONDA, and Mr. CLEAVER):

H. Con. Res. 317. Concurrent resolution requesting the President to issue a proclamation annually calling upon the people of the United States to observe Global Family Day, One Day of Peace and Sharing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Mr. UPTON):

H. Con. Res. 318. Concurrent resolution expressing concern regarding nuclear proliferation with respect to proposed full civilian nuclear cooperation with India, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. DENT:

H. Res. 611. A resolution condemning, in the strongest possible terms, Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's outrageous and despicable statements directed toward Israel; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. HYDE (for himself and Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN):

H. Res. 612. A resolution expressing the commitment of the House of Representatives to achieving victory in Iraq; to the Com-

mittee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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. LANTOS (for himself, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. HOYER, and Mr. HASTINGS of Florida):

H. Res. 613. A resolution congratulating the people of Iraq on the three national elections conducted in Iraq in 2005; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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. BARROW:

H. Res. 614. A resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2429) to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. ISRAEL (for himself and Mr. WEINER):

H. Res. 615. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the symbols and traditions of Hanukkah, Ramadan, and Kwanzaa should be protected; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. LYNCH (for himself, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. NORTON, Mr. HIGGINS, and Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California):

H. Res. 616. A resolution directing the Committee on Government Reform to hold hearings on intelligence relating to the rationale for the commencement of Operation Iraqi Freedom; to the Committee on Rules.

By Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD (for herself and Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut):

H. Res. 617. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Week; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself and Mr. ENGEL):

H. Res. 618. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives concerning Syria and Lebanon; to the Committee on International Relations.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

209. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 4 memorializing the Congress of the United States to take such action as are necessary to create a national wind insurance program to be combined with the National Flood Insurance Program in order to create a national catastrophe insurance program; to the Committee on Financial Services.

210. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 23 memorializing the Congress of the United States to increase the coverage limit for a single-family structure under the National Flood Insurance Program from two hundred fifty thousand to five hundred thousand dollars; to the Committee on Financial Services.

211. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 38 memorializing the Congress of the United States to take such actions as are necessary to require all federal jobs that have been lost or relocated due to Hurricane Katrina and Rita and their associated funding to be restored as soon as possible; to the Committee on Government Reform.