

committee and have enjoyed my eight years of service.

With every good wish, I am
Sincerely yours,

JOHN M. MCHUGH,
Member of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. TIBERI). Without objection, the resignation is accepted.

There was no objection.

RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Speaker pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Effective today, January 26, 2005, I am resigning from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

RICK G. RENZI,
*U.S. Congressman,
1st District of Arizona.*

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted.

There was no objection.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 11 of rule X, clause 11 of rule I, and the order of the House of January 4, 2005, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:

Mr. LAHOOD, Illinois
Mr. CUNNINGHAM, California
Mr. EVERETT, Alabama
Mr. GALLEGLY, California
Mrs. WILSON, New Mexico
Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS, Virginia,
Mr. THORNBERRY, Texas
Mr. MCHUGH, New York
Mr. TIAHRT, Kansas
Mr. ROGERS, Michigan
Mr. RENZI, Arizona
Mr. HASTINGS, Florida
Mr. REYES, Texas
Mr. BOSWELL, Iowa
Mr. CRAMER, Alabama
Ms. ESHOO, California
Mr. HOLT, New Jersey
Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Maryland
Mr. TIERNEY, Massachusetts

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for January 25 and today.

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:)

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. BROWN of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SCHIFF, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. MCDERMOTT, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mrs. BIGGERT, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. FLAKE, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. GOHMERT, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mrs. MALONEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. BARROW, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. PAUL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Accordingly, pursuant to the previous order of the House of today, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Friday, January 28, 2005, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its adoption of House Concurrent Resolution 21, in which case the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 35 minutes p.m.), pursuant to the previous order of the House of today, the House adjourned until 2 p.m. on Friday, January 28, 2005, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its adoption of House Concurrent Resolution 21, in which case the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

321. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Tangelos Grown in Florida; Change in the Minimum Maturity Requirements for Fresh Grapefruit [Docket No. FV05-905-1 IFR] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

322. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Hazelnuts Grown in Oregon and Washington; Establishment of Final Free and Restricted Percentages for the 2004-2005 Marketing Year [Docket No. FV05-982-1 IFR] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

323. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Poultry Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Voluntary Shell Egg Grading Regulations — Facilities and Equipment [Docket No. PY-03-005] (RIN: 0581-AC33) received January 7, 2005,

pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

324. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Livestock and Seed Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Lamb Promotion and Research Program: Procedures for the Conduct of a Referendum [No. LS-04-06] received January 10, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

325. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Dairy Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Milk in the Appalachian, Florida, and Southeast Marketing Areas; Order Amending the Orders [Docket No. AO-388-A16, AO-356-A38, and AO-366-A45; DA-04-07] received January 10, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

326. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Onions Grown in South Texas; Decreased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV05-959-1 IFR] received January 10, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

327. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, APHIS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Emerald Ash Borer; Quarantines Areas [Docket No. 02-125-2] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

328. A letter from the Regulatory Officer, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Forest System Land and Resource Management Planning; Removal of 2000 Planning Rule (RIN: 0596-AB86) received January 12, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

329. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

330. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting notification that the DoD anticipates it will be prepared to commence chemical agent destruction operations at the Pine Bluff Chemical Agent Disposal Facility in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1512(4); to the Committee on Armed Services.

331. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

332. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report pursuant to the Cooperative Threat Reduction Act of 1993 and the FREEDOM Support Act, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 5852; to the Committee on International Relations.

333. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-638, "Captive Insurance Company Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

334. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-612, "Approval of Starpower Communications, LLC's Open Video System Franchise Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

335. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a

copy of D.C. ACT 15-631, "Freedom of Information Legislative Records Clarification Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

336. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-606, "District of Columbia Housing Authority Police Department Temporary Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

337. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-636, "District of Columbia Housing Authority Revitalization Projects Temporary Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

338. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-607, "Rehabilitation Services Program Establishment Temporary Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

339. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-608, "Extension of Time to Dispose of Property for Golden Rule Development Project Temporary Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

340. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-603, "Debarment Procedures Temporary Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

341. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-633, "Ceremonial Funds Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

342. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-604, "Parking Meter Fee Moratorium Temporary Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

343. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-605, "Towing Regulation and Enforcement Authority Temporary Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

344. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-634, "Felony Sexual Assault Statute of Limitations Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

345. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-597, "District of Columbia Emancipation Day Parade and Fund Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

346. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-635, "Producer Summary Suspension Temporary Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

347. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-598, "Television Production Studios and Equipment Use Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

348. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a

copy of D.C. ACT 15-611, "Closing of Public Alleys in Square 2674, S.O. 01-2426, Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

349. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-599, "Documents Administrative Cost Assessment Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

350. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-637, "Omnibus Juvenile Justice Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

351. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-610, "District of Columbia Government Purchase Card Program Reporting Requirements Temporary Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

352. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-632, "Business Improvement Districts and Anacostia Waterfront Corporation Clarification Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

353. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-600, "Closing of a Portion of the Intersection of Minnesota Avenue and East Capitol Street, N.E., S.O. 02-3743, Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

354. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-601, "Unemployment Compensation Additional Funds Appropriation Authorization Temporary Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

355. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-602, "Citizens with Mental Retardation Substituted Consent of Health Care Decisions Temporary Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

356. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-609, "Automated Traffic Enforcement Fund Temporary Amendment Act of 2004," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

357. A letter from the Chief Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

358. A letter from the Secretary, Mississippi River Commission, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act covering the calendar year 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

359. A letter from the Director, Office of Human Resources Management, Department of Energy, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

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361. A letter from the Human Resources Specialist, Department of Labor, transmit-

ting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

362. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Transportation, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

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365. A letter from the Director, Office of Administration, International Trade Commission, transmitting a copy of the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for FY 2004; to the Committee on Government Reform.

366. A letter from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-270) and OMB Circular A-76, Performance of Commercial Activities, the Administration's FY 2004 inventory of commercial activities performed by federal employees and inventory of inherently governmental activities; to the Committee on Government Reform.

367. A letter from the Director, National Science Foundation, transmitting in accordance with Section 647(b) of Division F of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY 2004, Pub. L. 108-199, the Foundation's report on competitive sourcing efforts for FY 2004; to the Committee on Government Reform.

368. A letter from the Deputy Director for Administration and Information Management, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting in accordance with Section 647(b) of Division F of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY 2004, Pub. L. 108-199, the Office's report on competitive sourcing efforts for FY 2004; to the Committee on Government Reform.

369. A letter from the Executive Secretary and Chief of Staff, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

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375. A letter from the Chairman, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting a

report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

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381. 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 Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels 60 feet (18.3 m) Length Overall and Longer Using Hook-and-line Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands [Docket No. 031124287-4060-02; I.D. 120904A] received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

382. 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 Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Commercial Quota Harvested for New York [Docket No. 031119283-4001-02; I.D. 121404B] received January 10, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

383. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Atlantic Bluefish Fishery [Docket No. 021122284-2323-02; I.D. 122204G] received January 10, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

384. 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 Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Closure of the Fall Commercial Red Snapper Component [I.D. 112604A] received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

385. 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 Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Processor Vessels Using Hook and Line Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 031124287-4060-02; I.D. 120204A] received December 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

386. 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 Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring Fishery; Total Allowable Catch Harvested for Management

Area 1B [Docket No. 021101264-3016-02; I.D. 120304C] received December 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

387. 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 Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 031124287-4060-02; I.D. 112304C] received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

388. 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 2004 Purse Seine and Longline Fisheries in the Eastern Tropical Pacific Ocean [Docket No. 040617186-4302; I.D. 120704A] received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

389. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Bluefin Tuna Fisheries [I.D. 122704C] received January 19, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

390. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Bluefin Tuna Fisheries [I.D. 120704C] received December 29, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

391. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, 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 Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands [Docket No. 041104307-4356-02; I.D. 102904B] (RIN: 0648-AS56) received January 10, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

392. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Gulf of Alaska; Interim 2005 Harvest Specifications for Groundfish [Docket No. 041202339-4339-01; I.D. 112204D] received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

393. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act) Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast (NE) Multispecies Fishery [Docket No. 041018283-4340-02; I.D. 102204C] (RIN: 0648-AS81) received December 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

394. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act) Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast (NE) Multispecies Fishery; Framework Adjustment 40-A [Docket No. 040804229-4300-02; I.D. 080204G] (RIN: 0648-AS34) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5

U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

395. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Revision of Stellar Sea Lion Protection Measures for the Pollock and Pacific Cod Fisheries in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 040907255-4343-02; I.D. 082704E] (RIN: 0648-AS41) received December 29, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

396. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting The results of a study to examine state barriers to the adoption and implementation of state programs for the use of communications systems along highways for alerts for the recovery of abducted children, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5791b Public Law 108-21, section 303(i)(2); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

397. A letter from the Deputy Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of the Yamhill-Carlton District Viticultural Area (2002R-216R) [TTB T.D.-20; Re: Notice No. 19] (RIN: 1513-AA59) received December 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

398. A letter from the Deputy Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of the Southern Oregon Viticultural Area (2002R-338P) [TTB T.D.-19; Re: Notice No. 17] (RIN: 1513-AA75) received December 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

399. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, ACF, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Child Support Enforcement Program; Reasonable Quantitative Standard for Review and Adjustment of Child Support Orders — received December 30, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

400. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Rulings and determination letters. (Rev. Proc. 2005-3) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

401. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Rulings and determination letters. (Rev. Proc. 2005-8) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

402. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Gross Estate; Election to Value on Alternate Valuation Date [TD 9172] (RIN: 1545-BB12) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

403. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Rulings and determination letters. (Rev. Proc. 2005-4) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

404. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Substantial Understatement of Income Tax Liability [TD 9174] (RIN: 1545-BD75) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

405. 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 2004-82] received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

406. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Rulings and determination letters. (Rev. Proc. 2005-1) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

407. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Automatic Rollover [Notice 2005-5] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

408. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Prohibited Allocations of Securities in an S Corporation [TD 9164] (RIN: 1545-BC33) received December 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

409. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Revenue Procedure: Reduction of Penalty for Understating Tax by Adequate Disclosure of an Item on Return (Rev. Proc. 2004-73) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

410. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Automatic Extension of Time to File Certain Information Returns and Exempt Organization Returns [TD 9163] (RIN: 1545-BB29) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

411. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Publication of the Tier 2 Tax Rates — received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

412. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Regulations Governing Practice Before the Internal Revenue Service [TD 9165] (RIN: 1545-BA70) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

413. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Appeals Settlement Guidelines — received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

414. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Allocation of national limitation for qualified zone academy bonds for year 2005 (Rev. Proc. 2004-72) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

415. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Public Hearings on the Advance Pricing Agreement Program (Announcement 2004-98) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

416. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal

Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Last-in, first-out inventories, (Rev. Rul. 2004-113) received December 14, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

417. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Changes in accounting periods and in methods of accounting (Rev. Proc. 2005-9) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

418. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property (Rev. Rul. 2005-2) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

419. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Student FICA Exception [TD 9167] (RIN: 1545-BC81) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

420. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Optional 10-Year Writeoff of Certain Tax Preferences [TD 9168] (RIN: 1545-BC13) received December 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

421. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Examination of returns and claims for refund, credit or abatement; determination of correct tax liability. (Rev. Proc. 2005-10) received December 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

422. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Guidance Under Sec. 409A of the Internal Revenue Code [Notice 2005-1] received December 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

423. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Closing agreements (Rev. Proc. 2005-12) received December 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

424. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Final Regulations for Health Coverage Portability for Group Health Plans and Group Health Insurance under HIPAA Title I & IV [TD 9166] (RIN: 1545-AX84) received January 3, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

425. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 2004 Cumulative List of Changes in Plan Qualification Requirements [Notice 2004-84] received December 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

426. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Authority to charge fees for furnishing copies of exempt organizations' material open to public inspection. [TD 9173] (RIN: 1545-BB22) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

427. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Election to Determine Corporate Tax on Certain International Shipping Activities Under Tonnage Tax Regime [Notice 2005-2] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

428. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Rulings and determination letters. (Rev. Proc. 2005-5) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

429. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Rulings and determination letters. (Rev. Proc. 2005-6) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

430. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Areas in which Rulings in the International Area will not be issued. (Rev. Proc. 2005-7) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

431. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Examination of returns and claims for refund, credit or abatement; determination of correct tax liability. (Rev. Proc. 2005-2) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

432. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Retirement plans; Cash or deferred arrangements under section 401(k) and matching contributions or employee contributions under section 401(m) Regulations [TD 9169] (RIN: 1545-AX26) received January 3, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

433. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — New Markets Tax Credit [TD 9171] (RIN: 1545-AY87) received December 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

434. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Taxes of Foreign Countries and of Possessions of United States. (Rev. Rul. 2005-3) received January 3, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

435. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Publication of the Tier 2 Tax Rates — received January 3, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

436. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Fuel Tax Guidance; Request for Public Comments [Notice 2005-04] received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

437. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Section 1374 Effective Dates [TD 9170] (RIN: 1545-BD99) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

438. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Services performed by certain students in the employ of a school, college, or university, or of a nonprofit organization auxiliary to a school, college, or university (Rev. Proc. 2005-11) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

439. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting Detailed compilation of data concerning Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program for FY 2002, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 8629(b); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Education and the Workforce.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CASTLE (for himself, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. EHLERS, and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina):

H.R. 366. A bill to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998 to strengthen and improve programs under that Act; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. WILSON of South Carolina:

H.R. 367. A bill to make permanent the teacher loan forgiveness provisions of the Teacher-Taxpayer Protection Act of 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia:

H.R. 368. A bill to establish and rapidly implement regulations for State driver's license and identification document security standards; to the Committee on Government Reform, 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 Mr. BACA (for himself, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. FILNER, and Mr. MEEKS of New York):

H.R. 369. A bill to provide for greater recognition of Veterans Day each year; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 370. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxpayers to designate that part or all of any income tax refund be paid over for use in biomedical research conducted through the National Institutes of Health; 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. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. WAXMAN):

H.R. 371. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for the regulation of all contact lenses as medical devices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BOYD:

H.R. 372. A bill to include in St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge, Florida, the land and facilities comprising St. Marks lighthouse; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Resources, 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. DELAURO (for herself, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. McDERMOTT, and Ms. SLAUGHTER):

H.R. 373. A bill to require notification to Congress of certain contracts, and to amend title 31, United States Code, to prohibit the unauthorized expenditure of funds for publicity or propaganda purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. DICKS:

H.R. 374. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take certain tribally-owned reservation land into trust for the Puyallup Tribe; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia:

H.R. 375. A bill to declare, under the authority of Congress under Article I, section 8 of the Constitution to "provide and maintain a Navy", a national policy for the naval force structure required in order to "provide for the common defense" of the United States throughout the 21st century; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. EMERSON (for herself, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. ROSS, Mr. WAMP, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, and Mr. EMANUEL):

H.R. 376. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to negotiate fair prices for Medicare prescription drugs on behalf of Medicare beneficiaries; 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. EVERETT (for himself, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. BONNER, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. DAVIS of Alabama, Mr. OSBORNE, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. AKIN, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. SPRATT, and Mr. WALSH):

H.R. 377. A bill to amend titles 10 and 38, United States Code, to improve death benefits for the families of deceased members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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. FATTAH:

H.R. 378. A bill to establish a program to assist homeowners experiencing unavoidable, temporary difficulty making payments on mortgages insured under the National Housing Act; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. FATTAH:

H.R. 379. A bill to ensure equal protection and due process of law in capital punishment cases by imposing a moratorium on the imposition and carrying out of the death penalty in certain States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FOLEY (for himself, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. JINDAL, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. COLE of Oklahoma, Mr. BOYD, Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania, Mr. BAKER, Mr. FORD, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. SHAW, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. MELANCON, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. HERGER, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. PAUL, Mr. MEEK of

Florida, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. ETHERIDGE):

H.R. 380. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income certain hazard mitigation assistance; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GILLMOR:

H.R. 381. A bill to clarify congressional approval of certain State energy production tax practices; to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. GOODE (for himself and Mr. BOUCHER):

H.R. 382. A bill to amend title 40, United States Code, to designate certain counties and a city as part of the Appalachian region; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Washington (for himself, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. HOOLEY, Mr. INSLEE, Miss MCMORRIS, Mr. OTTER, Mr. SIMPSON, and Mr. WU):

H.R. 383. A bill to designate the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Ms. HERSETH (for herself and Mrs. CUBIN):

H.R. 384. A bill to prohibit the operation during a calendar year of the final rule issued by the Secretary of Agriculture to establish standards for the designation of minimal-risk regions for the introduction of bovine spongiform encephalopathy into the United States, including designation of Canada as a minimal-risk region, and the importation into the United States from Canada of certain bovine ruminant products during that calendar year, unless country of origin labeling is required for the retail sale of a covered commodity during that calendar year; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. HINCHEY:

H.R. 385. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a \$1,000 refundable credit for individuals who are active members of volunteer firefighting and emergency medical service organizations; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HINOJOSA (for himself, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. REYES, and Mr. ORTIZ):

H.R. 386. A bill to amend the Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2000 to authorize additional projects and activities under that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. JINDAL (for himself, Mr. MCCREERY, and Mr. ALEXANDER):

H.R. 387. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude disaster mitigation payments from gross income; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. KAPTUR (for herself, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. FILNER, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, and Mr. STRICKLAND):

H.R. 388. A bill to provide for a Biofuels Feedstocks Energy Reserve, and to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make and guarantee loans for the production, distribution, development, and storage of biofuels; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. KING of New York (for himself, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. BAKER, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. ISRAEL, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. HYDE, Mr. WAMP, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. FOLEY, Mr.