

As Franklin Roosevelt once reminded Americans: "Each age is a dream that is dying, or one that is coming to birth." And we live in the country where the biggest dreams are born. The abolition of slavery was only a dream, until it was fulfilled. The liberation of Europe from Fascism was only a dream, until it was achieved. The fall of Imperial Communism was only a dream, until, one day, it was accomplished. Our generation has dreams of its own, and we also go forward with confidence. The road of Providence is uneven and unpredictable, yet we know where it leads: it leads to freedom.

Thank you, and may God bless America.

(Applause, the Members rising.)

At 10 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m. the President of the United States, accompanied by the committee of escort, retired from the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The Deputy Sergeant at Arms escorted the invited guests from the Chamber in the following order:

The members of the President's Cabinet.

The Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

The Acting Dean of the Diplomatic Corp.

JOINT SESSION DISSOLVED

The SPEAKER. The Chair declares the joint meeting of the two Houses now dissolved.

Accordingly, at 10 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m., the joint meeting of the two Houses was dissolved.

The Members of the Senate retired to their Chamber.

MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON THE STATE OF THE UNION

Mr. BLUNT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the message of the President be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered printed.

The motion was agreed to.

PERMISSION FOR MEMBER TO REVISE AND EXTEND REMARKS ON THIS LEGISLATIVE DAY.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from California (Mr. DREIER) is permitted to revise and extend and insert extraneous material on this legislative day.

There was no objection.

AMENDMENT PROCESS FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 418, REAL ID ACT OF 2005

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, the Rules Committee may meet the week of February 7th to grant a rule which could limit the amendment process for floor consideration of H.R. 418, the REAL ID Act of 2005.

Any Member wishing to offer an amendment should submit 55 copies of the amendment and one copy of a brief explanation of the amendment to the Rules Committee in room H-312 of the Capitol by 12 noon on Tuesday, February 8, 2005. Members should draft their amendments to the bill as introduced on January 26, 2005.

Members should use the Office of Legislative Counsel to ensure that their amendments are drafted in the most appropriate format and should check with the Office of the Parliamentarian to be certain their amendments comply with the rules of the House.

RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON RESOURCES

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DREIER) laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committee on Resources:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 2, 2005.

Hon. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER HASTERT: I am writing to inform you of my resignation from the Resources Committee, effective today, Wednesday, February 2, 2005.

Sincerely,

MARK SOUDER
Member of Congress.

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

There was no objection.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 2, 2005.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on February 2, 2005 at 5:30 p.m.:

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H. Con. Res. 39.

Wish best wishes, I am.

Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL,
Clerk of the House.

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. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FILNER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CASE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SCHIFF, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SANDERS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. STRICKLAND, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, February 8.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MORAN of Virginia, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE BILLS 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. 167. An act to provide for the protection of intellectual property rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary; in addition to the Committee on House Administration 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.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution 39, 109th Congress, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 39, 109th Congress, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 8, 2005.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 8 minutes p.m.), pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution 39, the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 8, 2005, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

523. A letter from the Administrator, AMS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Exempting Organic Producers From Assessment by Research and Promotion Programs [Docket No. PY-02-006] (RIN: 0581-AC15) received January 21, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

524. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, APHIS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Delegation of Authority [Docket No. 04-120-1] received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

525. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Peanuts, Tree Nuts, Milk, Soybeans, Eggs,

Fish, Crustacea, and Wheat; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [OPP-2005-0001; FRL-7694-5] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

526. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Army, Case Number 01-01, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

527. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Navy, Case Number 02-03, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

528. 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.

529. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Free Trade Agreements — Chile and Singapore [DFARS Case 2003-D088] received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

530. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Fire-fighting Services Contracts [DFARS Case 2003-D107] received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

531. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Construction and Architect-Engineer Services [DFARS Case 2003-D035] received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

532. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Competition Requirements [DFARS Case 2003-D017] received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

533. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contract Period for Task and Delivery Order Contracts [DFARS Case 2003-D097/2004-D023] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

534. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Free Trade Agreements — Australia and Morocco [DFARS Case 2004-D013] received January 19, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

535. A letter from the Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting approval of Colonel William A. Chambers, United States Air Force, to wear the insignia of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

536. A letter from the Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on the mobilization during FY 2002 and 2003 of members of the reserve components, as required by Section 517(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2004; to the Committee on Armed Services.

537. A letter from the Inspector General, Department of Defense, transmitting the semiannual report of the Inspector General for the period April 1, 2004-September 30, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Armed Services.

538. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program [DFARS Case 2003-D013] received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

539. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Deferment of Service Obligations of Midshipmen Recipients of Scholarships or Fellowships [Docket No. MARAD 2004-17759] (RIN: 2133-AB58) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

540. A letter from the Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Waiver of the Requirement to Use Weighted Averages in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs (RIN: 0584-AD63) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

541. A letter from the Director, Child Nutrition Division, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National School Lunch Program: Requirement for Variety of Fluid Milk in Reimbursable Meals (RIN: 0584-AD55) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

542. A letter from the Director, Child Nutrition Division, FNS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Waiver of the Requirement to Use Weighted Averages in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs — received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

543. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, EBSA, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Mental Health Parity (RIN: 1210-AA62) received January 3, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

544. A letter from the Acting Director, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standards Improvement Project-Phase II [Docket No. S-778-A] (RIN: 1218-AB81) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

545. A letter from the Senior Regulatory Officer, Wage & Hour Division, ESA, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Child Labor Regulations, Orders and Statements of Interpretation; Child Labor Violations—Civil Money Penalties (RIN: 1215-AA09) received December 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

546. A letter from the Director, Corporate Policy and Research Dept., Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Alloca-

tion of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits — received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

547. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the fourth report, "Infertility and Sexually Transmitted Diseases," as required by Section 318A(o)(2) of the Public Health Service Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

548. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's Fiscal Year 2004 annual report as required by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986, as amended, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 9620; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

549. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants: Bernalillo County, New Mexico; Negative Declaration [R06-OAR-2004-NM-0001; FRL-7858-5] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

550. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Redesignation of the City of Weirton Including the Clay and Butler Magisterial Districts SO2 Nonattainment Area and Approval of the Maintenance Plan [R03-OAR-2004-WV-0002; FRL-7852-8] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

551. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Idaho; Revised Format for Materials Being Incorporated by Reference [ID-04-002; FRL-7842-3] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

552. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Leak Repair Requirements for Appliances Using Substitute Refrigerants [FRL-7858-7] (RIN: 2060-AM05) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

553. 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.

554. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report of the national emergency with respect to Liberia that was declared in Executive Order 13348 of July 22, 2004; to the Committee on International Relations.

555. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Cuban Assets Control Regulations; Sudanese Sanctions Regulations; Iranian Transactions Regulations — received December 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

556. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's 2005 Report on Foreign Policy-Based

Export Controls, prepared by the Department's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), as required by Section 6 of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended; to the Committee on International Relations.

557. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting consistent with the resolution of advice and consent to ratification of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, adopted by the Senate of the United States on April 24, 1997 and Executive Order 13346, certification for calendar year 2004 that interests of the United States are not being harmed significantly by the limitations of the Convention; to the Committee on International Relations.

558. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Implementation of the Understandings Reached at the June 2004 Australia Group (AG) Plenary Meeting and Through a Subsequent AG Intersessional Decision; Clarifications to the Scope of ECCNs 1A004, 1A995, and 2B351; Corrections to Country Group D and ECCNs 1C355, 1C395, and 1C995; Additions to the List of States Parties to the Chemical Weapons Convention [Docket No. 041221359-4359-01] (RIN: 0694-AD25) received January 3, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

559. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Encryption Export and Reexport Controls Revisions [Docket No. 041022290-4290-01] (RIN: 0694-AD19) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

560. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revision of Export Control Classification Number (ECCN) 2B351 to Conform with the Australia Group (AG) "Control List of Dual-Use Chemical Manufacturing Facilities and Equipment and Related Technology" [Docket No. 041123328-4328-01] (RIN: 0694-AD16) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

561. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report pursuant to Section 804 of the PLO Commitments Compliance Act of 1989 (title VIII, Foreign Relations Authorization Act, FY 1990 and 1991 (Pub. L. 101-246)), and Sections 603-604 (Middle East Peace Commitments Act of 2002) and 699 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, FY 2003 (Pub. L. 107-228), as well as a Presidential Determination waiving sanctions as such waiver is in the national security interests of the United States, pursuant to Sections 603-604 of the FY 2003 Foreign Relations Authorization Act (Pub. L. 107-228); to the Committee on International Relations.

562. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Memorandum of Justification for a Drawdown under section 506(a)(2) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, to support the Philippines; to the Committee on International Relations.

563. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General for Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Privacy Act of 1974; Implementation — received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

564. A letter from the Acting Assistant Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting in accordance with

Section 647(b) of Division F of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY 2004, Pub. L. 108-199, the Agency's report on competitive sourcing efforts for FY 2004; to the Committee on Government Reform.

565. A letter from the Executive Associate Director, Office of Management and Budget, 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.

566. A letter from the Director, Division for Strategic Human Resources Policy, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule — Federal Employee Health Benefits Program: Modification of Two-Option Limitation For Health Benefits Plans and Continuation of Coverage for Annuitants Whose Plan Terminates an Option (RIN: 3206-AK48) received January 10, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

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

568. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for the Colorado Butterfly Plant (RIN: 1018-AJ07) received January 12, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

569. A letter from the Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Mariana Fruit Bat (*Pteropus mariannus mariannus*): Reclassification from Endangered to Threatened in the Territory of Guam and Listing as Threatened in the Commonwealth in the Northern Mariana Islands (RIN: 1018-AH55) received January 12, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

570. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit Revocation Regulations (RIN: 1018-AT64) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

571. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Establishment of an Additional Manatee Protection Area in Lee County, Florida (RIN: 1018-AT65) received December 9, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

572. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Regulation for Non-essential Experimental Populations of the Western Distinct Population Segment of the Gray Wolf (RIN: 1018-AT61) received January 10, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

573. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Kentucky Regulatory Program [KY-247-FOR] received December 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

574. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, Na-

tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 031124287-4060-02; I.D. 1020904D] received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

575. A letter from the Assistant Administrator, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Trade Restrictive Measures [Docket No. 040421127-4322-02; I.D. 051403A] (RIN: 0648-AR10) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

576. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries; 2005 and 2006 Summer Flounder Specifications; 2005 Scup and Black Sea Bass Specifications [Docket No. 041110317-4364-02; I.D. 100404B] (RIN: 0648-AR51) received January 24, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

577. 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 Northeastern United States; Final 2005, 2006, and 2007 Fishing Quotas for Atlantic Surfclams, Ocean Quahogs, and Maine Mahogany Ocean Quahogs [Docket No. 041108311-5001-02; I.D. 110204B] (RIN: 0648-AR52) received January 24, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

578. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Magnuson-Stevens Provisions; Fisheries off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Biennial Specifications and Management Measures [Docket No. 040830250-4342-02; I.D. 081304C] (RIN: 0648-AS27) received January 24, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

579. A letter from the Executive Director, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalties for Inflation (RIN: 3038-AC13) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

580. A letter from the Federal Registrar Certifying Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Centralized Offset of Federal Payments to Collect Nontax Debts Owed to the United States (RIN: 1510-AA65) received January 13, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

581. A letter from the Senior Paralegal, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Rules of Practice and Procedure in Adjudicatory Proceedings; Civil Money Penalty Inflation Adjustments [No. 2004-51] (RIN: 1550-AB95) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

582. A letter from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes in Fees for Filing Applications for Trademark Registration [Docket No. 2004-T-051] (RIN: 0651-AB83) received January 19, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

583. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalties for Inflation — received January 12, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

584. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Execution of Removal Orders; Countries to Which Aliens May Be Removed [EOIR No. 146F; AG Order No. 2746-2004] (RIN: 1125-AA50) received January 7, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

585. A letter from the Rules Administrator, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Over-The-Counter (OTC) Medications; Technical Correction [BOP-1129-I] (RIN: 1120-AB29) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

586. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Labor Certification for the Permanent Employment of Aliens in the United States; Implementation of New System (RIN: 1205-AA66) received December 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

587. A letter from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustments — received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

588. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a report to Congress on the extent to which the implementation by the United States Coast Guard of regulations issued or enforced, or interpretations or guidelines established, pursuant to Public Law 104-55, carry out the intent of Congress and recognize and provide for the differences in the physical, chemical, biological, and other properties, and in the environmental effects, of the classes of fats, oils, and greases described under that law, pursuant to Public Law 104-324, section 1130(b); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

589. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Buckle Up America: The National Initiative for Increasing Safety Belt Use, Seventh Report To Congress and Fifth Report to the President," June 2004, as required by House Report 105-188 and Executive Order 13043, highlighting activities from January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2003; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

590. A letter from the Administrator, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting a report on the foreign aviation authorities to which the Federal Aviation Administration provided services for Fiscal Year 2004, pursuant to Public Law 103-305, section 202; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

591. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Bridge Inspection Standards [FHWA Docket No. FHWA-2001-8954] (RIN: 2125-AE86) received December 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

592. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Ocean Dumping; Designation of Sites Off-

shore Palm Beach Harbor, Florida and offshore Port Everglades Harbor, Florida [FRL-7861-7] received January 14, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

593. A letter from the Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Director for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Final Scientific and Technical Reports — SBIR and STTR Contracts (RIN: 2700-AD04) received January 19, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

594. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Small Business Government Contracting Programs; Subcontracting (RIN: 3245-AF12) received January 12, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Small Business.

595. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Small Business Size Regulations; Government Contracting Programs; HUBZone Program (RIN: 3245-AE66) received July 22, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Small Business.

596. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Increase in Rates Payable Under the Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty (RIN: 2900-AM08) received December 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

597. A letter from the Federal Register Certifying Officer, Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Offset of Tax Refund Payments to Collect State Income Tax Obligations (RIN: 1510-AA78) received January 21, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

598. A letter from the Assistant Chief, Regulations & Procedures Division, Alcohol & Tobacco Tax & Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of the McMinnville Viticultural Area (2002R-217P) [TTB T.D.-22; Re: Notice No. 12] (RIN: 1513-AA63) received January 24, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

599. A letter from the Assistant Chief, Regulations & Procedures Division, Alcohol & Tobacco Tax & Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Productions of Dried Fruit and Honey Wines (2001R-136P) [T.D. TTB-23; Ref. Notice No. 13] (RIN: 1513-AC21) received January 24, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

600. 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. 2005-8) received January 24, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

601. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Look-through rule for assets held through certain investment companies, partnerships, or trusts (Rev. Rul. 2005-7) received January 24, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

602. 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. 2005-5) received January 24, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

603. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting two reports as required by Section 105(d)(2) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 U.S.C. 3905(d)(2), as amended, describing the Department's Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program (FEORP) Accomplishment Report and the Disabled Veterans Affirmative Action Program (DVAAP) Accomplishment Report for FY 2004; jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Government Reform.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BOEHRNER (for himself and Mr. MCKEON):

H.R. 507. A bill to amend and extend the Higher Education Act of 1965; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. MCKEON (for himself and Mr. BOEHRNER):

H.R. 508. A bill to make changes to the Higher Education Act of 1965 incorporating the results of the FED UP Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. TIBERI (for himself, Mr. BOEHRNER, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. HOEKSTRA, and Mr. HINOJOSA):

H.R. 509. A bill to amend and extend title VI of the Higher Education Act of 1965; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. TIBERI (for himself, Mr. BOEHRNER, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. HOEKSTRA, and Mr. HINOJOSA):

H.R. 510. A bill to amend and extend title VII of the Higher Education Act of 1965; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. KELLER (for himself, Mr. BOEHRNER, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. TIBERI, and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina):

H.R. 511. A bill to provide enhanced Pell Grants for State Scholars; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. POMBO:

H.R. 512. A bill to require the prompt review by the Secretary of the Interior of the longstanding petitions for Federal recognition of certain Indian tribes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. SHAYS (for himself and Mr. MEEHAN):

H.R. 513. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to clarify when organizations described in section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 must register as political committees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. SHAYS (for himself and Mr. TOWNS):

H.R. 514. A bill to prohibit the Department of Defense from requiring members of the Armed Forces to receive the anthrax and smallpox immunizations without their consent, to correct the records of servicemembers previously punished for refusing to take these vaccines, 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.