

H.R. 666. A bill to establish a new allowance for members of the Armed Forces serving in Iraq or Afghanistan to cover the premiums for Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance coverage obtained by the members; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. STUPAK:

H.R. 667. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Army to carry out the dredging project, Menominee Harbor, Menominee River, Michigan and Wisconsin; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. WAXMAN (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, and Mr. RUSH):

H.R. 668. A bill to direct the Consumer Product Safety Commission to classify certain children's products containing lead to be banned hazardous substances; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. WILSON of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. BAKER, Mr. GINGREY, Mr. OWENS, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. CASE, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. KIND, Mr. McCRERY, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. McINTYRE, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. RAHALL, and Ms. HOOLEY):

H.R. 669. A bill to amend title 32, United States Code, to increase the maximum Federal share of the costs of State programs under the National Guard Youth Challenge Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. WILSON of South Carolina:

H.R. 670. A bill to make permanent the teacher loan forgiveness provisions of the Taxpayer-Teacher Protection Act of 2004, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. McDERMOTT, and Mrs. CHRISTENSEN):

H.R. 676. A bill to provide for comprehensive health insurance coverage for all United States residents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Resources, and 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. BOEHLERT (for himself, Mr. GORDON, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. AKIN, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. SCHWARZ of Michigan, Mr. BAIRD, and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

H. Con. Res. 46. Concurrent resolution congratulating ASME on their 125th anniversary, celebrating the achievements of ASME members, and expressing the gratitude of the American people for ASME's contributions; to the Committee on Science.

By Mr. CROWLEY (for himself, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. WEINER, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. WEXLER):

H. Con. Res. 47. Concurrent resolution commending the establishment in College Point, New York, of the first kindergarten in the United States; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. RANGEL:

H. Con. Res. 48. Concurrent resolution calling for the removal of all restrictions from the public, the press, and military families in mourning that would prohibit their presence at the arrival at military installations in the United States or overseas of the remains of the Nation's fallen heroes, the members of the Armed Forces who have died

in Iraq or Afghanistan, with the assurance that family requests for privacy will be respected; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. TANCREDO (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. PITTS, Mr. GOODE, Mr. PENCE, and Mr. JONES of North Carolina):

H. Con. Res. 49. Concurrent resolution recognizing the importance of Western civilization; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. BOUSTANY:

H. Res. 68. A resolution electing a certain Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BISHOP of Georgia (for himself, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. CAPUANO, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. LEE, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. WATSON, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. WATT, Mr. TOWNS, Mrs. WATERS, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. NORTON, Mr. FORD, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. ROSS, Mr. MARSHALL, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. OWENS, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. WEINER, Mr. HONDA, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. LANTOS, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. BARROW, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. CARSON, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. RUSH, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. WYNN, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. CLAY, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. DAVIS of Alabama, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. CLYBURN, and Mr. HASTINGS of Florida):

H. Res. 69. A resolution honoring the life and accomplishments of the late Ossie Davis; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas (for herself, Mr. EDWARDS, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, and Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas):

H. Res. 70. A resolution to honor and recognize the achievements of Emmitt Smith; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. MEEHAN (for himself, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. COX, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. SNYDER, and Mr. MCGOVERN):

By Mr. SESSIONS:

H. Res. 71. A resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 418) to establish and rapidly implement regulations for State driver's license and identification document security standards, to prevent terrorists from abusing the asylum laws of the United States, to unify terrorism-related grounds for inadmissibility and removal, and to ensure expeditious construction of the San Diego border fence.

H. Res. 72. A resolution urging the interim Government of Iraq ensure that the charges brought against Saddam Hussein include charges for the crimes his government committed against the people of Iran during the Iran-Iraq war from 1980 to 1988; to the Committee on International Relations.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. CROWLEY:

H.R. 671. A bill for the relief of Saikou A. Diallo; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LANTOS:

H.R. 672. A bill for the relief of Maria Cristina Degraffi; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LANTOS:

H.R. 673. A bill for the relief of Denes and Gyorgyi Fulop; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LANTOS:

H.R. 674. A bill for the relief of Kuan-Wei Liang and Chun-Mei Hsu-Liang; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LANTOS:

H.R. 675. A bill for the relief of Maria Del Refugio Plascencia and Alfredo Plascencia-Lopez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RANGEL:

H.R. 677. A bill for the relief of Kadiatou Diallo, Laouratou Diallo, Ibrahim Diallo, Abdoul Diallo, Mamadou Bobo Diallo, Mamadou Pathe Diallo, Fatoumata Traore Diallo, Sankarela Diallo, and Mariatou Bah; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WILSON of North Carolina:

H.R. 678. A bill for the relief of Griselda Lopez Negrete; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 11: Mr. CONYERS, Mr. CHANDLER, Mr. MICHAUD, and Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico.

H.R. 13: Mr. WELLER, Ms. CARSON, Mr. CARNAHAN, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. PUTNAM, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, and Mr. LEACH.

H.R. 16: Mr. COLE of Oklahoma and Mr. PICKERING.

H.R. 17: Mr. KLINE.

H.R. 20: Mr. MILLER of North Carolina.

H.R. 22: Mr. OXLEY, Mr. CHANDLER, and Mr. LARSEN of Washington.

H.R. 23: Mr. OSBORNE, Mr. BACA, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. HOLT, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. CASE, and Mr. BUTTERFIELD.

H.R. 25: Mr. HALL, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. BONILLA, and Mrs. CUBIN.

H.R. 27: Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. FORTUÑO, and Mr. RADANOVICH.

H.R. 28: Mr. GORDON.

H.R. 29: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. DUNCAN, and Mr. BACHUS.

H.R. 32: Mr. JENKINS, Mr. McKEON, Mr. KILDEE, and Mr. PLATTS.

H.R. 34: Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. GOODE, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. McKEON, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. LAHOOD, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. DELAHUNT, and Mr. BUTTERFIELD.

H.R. 40: Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. CUMMINGS, and Mrs. CHRISTENSEN.

H.R. 42: Mrs. MYRICK, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, and Mr. FORTUÑO.

H.R. 47: Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. RAHALL, and Mr. SESSIONS.

H.R. 63: Mr. BERMAN, Mr. HONDA, and Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 64: Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. REICHERT, Mr. BEAUPREZ, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. CARTER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. HAYES, Mr. REHBERG, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. BOUCHER, and Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina.

H.R. 68: Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. ROSS, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. PUTNAM, Mr. HAYES, Mr. FORD, and Mr. GONZALEZ.

H.R. 98: Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California.

H.R. 113: Mr. LAHOOD and Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois.

H.R. 114: Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Ms. CARSON, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, and Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 127: Mr. DOGGETT.

H.R. 128: Mr. SERRANO, Mr. WYNN, Mr. TOWNS, and Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD.

H.R. 136: Mr. SHAYS, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BRADLEY of New Hampshire, and Mr. HOSTETTLER.

H.R. 179: Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. MILLER of Florida, and Mr. MCCOTTER.

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H.R. 181: Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. WAMP, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. PENCE, and Mr. HUNTER.

H.R. 188: Mr. ROSS, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. LEE, Mr. NADLER, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. CORINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. FATTAH, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, and Mr. RUSH.

H.R. 215: Mr. DAVIS of Alabama and Mr. BONNER.

H.R. 226: Mr. REYES, Mr. MCHUGH, and Mr. FORTUÑO.

H.R. 268: Mr. ROGERS of Michigan.

H.R. 278: Mr. UPTON and Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas.

H.R. 284: Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. BACA, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. WYNN.

H.R. 292: Mr. BLUNT, Mr. CHOCOLA, Mr. POE, Mr. UPTON, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. FLAKE, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Ms. SCHWARTZ of Pennsylvania, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. VISCLOSKEY, and Mr. GOHMERT.

H.R. 302: Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois.

H.R. 304: Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. MACK, and Mr. POE.

H.R. 310: Mr. PICKERING, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. BUYER, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. WALSH, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. CHANDLER, Mr. HAYES, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. OSBORNE, Mr. GORDON, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. MATHESON, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Ms. ESHOO.

H.R. 313: Mr. ROGERS of Alabama and Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

H.R. 314: Mr. ROGERS of Alabama and Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 328: Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. WOLF, Mr. COOPER, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. NADLER, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. CHANDLER, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. STARK.

H.R. 330: Mr. RENZI.

H.R. 331: Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. RENZI, Mr. CASE, Mr. FILNER, and Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

H.R. 333: Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr.

ROSS, Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. LEE, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. GORDON, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Mr. BERRY, and Mr. RENZI.

H.R. 356: Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mr. KLINE, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Ms. HARRIS, Miss MCMORRIS, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PETRI, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. TERRY, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, and Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina.

H.R. 368: Mr. PLATTS, Mr. SHAYS, and Mrs. MILLER of Michigan.

H.R. 369: Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin and Mr. CONYERS.

H.R. 371: Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. TIBERI, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. STARK, Ms. BORDALLO, and Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California.

H.R. 373: Ms. LEE, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. FARR, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. STARK, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 376: Mr. ALLEN, Mr. CROWLEY, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. HONDA, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. HERSETH, Mr. GORDON, Ms. CARSON, Ms. HOOLEY, Mr. DAVIS of Alabama, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. BACA, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. FARR, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Ms. LEE, Mr. FORD, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. STUPAK, Ms. BORDALLO, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. CHANDLER.

H.R. 380: Mr. CHOCOLA and Mr. SHUSTER.

H.R. 389: Mr. RAHALL, Mr. PUTNAM, and Mr. REYNOLDS.

H.R. 401: Mr. MILLER of Florida.

H.R. 402: Mr. SIMMONS.

H.R. 403: Mr. MILLER of Florida.

H.R. 404: Mr. MILLER of Florida.

H.R. 406: Mr. MILLER of Florida.

H.R. 408: Mr. RENZI, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. HERGER.

H.R. 418: Mr. BONILLA, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. HALL, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania, and Mr. DENT.

H.R. 420: Mr. COX, Mr. SIMPSON, and Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland.

H.R. 425: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 454: Mr. KLINE, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. BEAUPREZ, Mr. SHIMKUS, Ms. HART, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. MCCREERY.

H.R. 457: Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. FOLEY, and Mr. MCCOTTER.

H.R. 459: Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. WYNN, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 483: Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. HALL, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, and Mr. SESSIONS.

H.R. 490: Mr. FEENEY.

H.R. 493: Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 499: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts and Mr. BISHOP of New York.

H.R. 515: Mr. DAVIS of Florida.

H.R. 516: Mr. OXLEY, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. UPTON, and Mr. OTTER.

H.R. 525: Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. HERGER, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mrs. NORTUP, Mr. PENCE, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. SHAW, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey, Mr. MCKEON, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida,

Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. HYDE, and Mr. KELLER.

H.R. 526: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia and Mr. PORTER.

H.R. 528: Mr. FORTUÑO and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 530: Mr. SHADEGG and Mr. DOOLITTLE.

H.R. 533: Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. KAPTUR, and Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota.

H.R. 535: Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. GONZALEZ.

H.R. 554: Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. HALL, and Mr. FORTUÑO.

H.R. 556: Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. GERLACH, Mr. PORTER, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. CARSON, Mr. HIGGINS, and Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut.

H.R. 576: Mr. FRANKS of Arizona.

H.R. 580: Mr. TANCREDO.

H.R. 581: Mr. FATTAH, Mr. SPRATT, and Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas.

H.R. 583: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. REYES.

H.R. 596: Mr. SABO, Mr. ANDREWS, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, and Mr. RYAN of Ohio.

H.R. 602: Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. REYES, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. FILNER, Mr. BASS, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. DICKS, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. DEFazio, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. FARR, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. KIND, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. WYNN, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. TOWNS, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. HALL, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. BERRY, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. BOYD, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, and Mr. BISHOP of New York.

H.J. Res. 10: Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. RAHALL, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, and Mr. PICKERING.

H. Con. Res. 6: Mr. FOLEY, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina, Mr. MCCOTTER, and Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania.

H. Con. Res. 18: Mr. SENSENBRENNER and Mr. CHANDLER.

H. Con. Res. 26: Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. ROSS, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. NORTON, Ms. WATSON, Mr. COOPER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. PORTER, Mr. UPTON, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. TERRY, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. BAIRD, and Mr. HONDA.

H. Con. Res. 30: Mr. KILDEE, Mr. CAPUANO, Ms. WATSON, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, and Mr. NADLER.

H. Con. Res. 32: Mr. PITTS, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. SHIMKUS.

H. Res. 22: Mrs. BLACKBURN and Mr. CASE.

H. Res. 38: Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. GORDON, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. RENZI, Mr. CHANDLER, Mr. UPTON, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, and Mr. SESSIONS.

H. Res. 41: Mr. MURPHY, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. HAYES, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. CHANDLER, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. GOODE, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Mr. MOORE of KANSAS, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. BOREN, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. COSTA, Mr. BOSWELL, Ms. HERSETH, Mr. CASE, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr.

SALAZAR, Mr. BERRY, Mr. CARDOZA, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. MATHESON, Mr. ROSS, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. NEAL OF MASSACHUSETTS, Ms. PRYCE OF OHIO, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. DELAHUNT, Ms. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. EMANUEL, Mr. WAMP, Mr. WOLF, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, and Mr. MOLLOHAN.

H. Res. 46: Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mr. GILLMOR.

H. Res. 54: Mr. PITTS, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. WALSH, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.

H. Res. 55: Mr. McDERMOTT, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. CASE, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. UPTON.

H. Res. 61: Mr. CONYERS and Mr. WAXMAN.

AMENDMENTS

Under clause 8 of rule XVIII, proposed amendments were submitted as follows:

H.R. 418

OFFERED BY: MRS. JOHNSON OF CONNECTICUT

AMENDMENT No. 1: Page 28, after line 4, insert the following:

TITLE III—PREVENTING UNINTENDED UNITED STATES JOB LOSSES

SEC. 301. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) The H-1B and L-1 visa programs were established to enable United States employers to hire workers with the necessary skills and allow the intracompany transfer of certain workers in the employ of companies with operations outside of the United States.

(2) Employers have used the H-1B and L-1 visa programs to fill hundreds of thousands of positions in United States firms.

(3) According to a General Accounting Office report, 60 percent of the positions being filled by workers provided under the H-1B visa program are related to information technology.

(4) The median annual salaries for information technology employment was \$45,000 in 1999.

(5) In 2001, Congress specifically banned the displacement of United States employees by H-1B visa holders and mandated that employers pay H-1B workers prevailing United States wages.

(6) United States unemployment in information technology specialties has increased over the last 2 years making it more difficult for employers to certify that they are unable to find American information technology employees to fill vacancies as required to gain approval of H-1B visa applications.

(7) United States consular officers in foreign countries in the past have expressed concerns that the L-1 visa program was being exploited beyond the original purpose of the program by allowing employers to bring in workers who subsequently are employed by other companies.

(8) It has been reported that the former Immigration and Naturalization Service was reviewing the L-1 visa program to assess whether companies were using the L-1 visa to circumvent restrictions associated with the H-1B visa program.

(9) The Department of Labor has had very limited authority to enforce the program requirements of the H-1B visa program and no legal authority to police the L-1 visa program.

(10) Historical weaknesses in the administration of the H-1B program by the former

Immigration and Naturalization Service caused unnecessary delays in processing employer requests and also made the H-1B program vulnerable to abuse.

(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to ensure that the H-1B and L-1 visa programs are utilized for the purposes for which they were intended and not to displace American workers with lower cost foreign visa holders, by closing the loopholes in the programs and strengthening enforcement and penalties for violations of laws.

SEC. 302. L-1 NONIMMIGRANT VISAS.

(a) WAGE REQUIREMENTS; LIMITATION ON PLACEMENT OF INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREES; DISPLACEMENT OF WORKERS.—Section 214(c)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(F) No alien may be admitted or provided status as a nonimmigrant described in section 101(a)(15)(L) unless the importing employer has filed with the Secretary of Labor an application stating the following:

“(i) The employer shall make available for public examination, not later than 1 working day after the date on which an application under this subparagraph is filed, at the employer's principal place of business or work-site, a copy of each such application (and such accompanying documents as are necessary). The Secretary shall compile, on a current basis, a list (by employer and by occupational classification) of the applications filed under this subparagraph. The Secretary shall make such list available for public examination in Washington, D.C. The Secretary of Labor shall review such an application only for completeness and obvious inaccuracies. Unless the Secretary of Labor finds that an application is incomplete or obviously inaccurate, the Secretary of Labor shall certify to the Secretary of Homeland Security, not later than 7 days after the date of the filing of the application, that the requirements of this subclause have been satisfied.

“(ii) The employer is offering and will offer during the period of authorized employment to aliens admitted or provided status as a nonimmigrant described in section 101(a)(15)(L) wages that are at least—

“(I) the actual wage level paid by the employer to all other individuals with similar experience and qualifications for the specific employment in question; or

“(II) the prevailing wage level for the occupational classification in the area of employment;

whichever is greater, based on the information available at the time of filing the application.

“(iii) The employer did not displace and will not displace a United States worker employed by the employer within the period beginning 180 days before and ending 180 days after the date of filing of any visa petition supported by the application.

“(iv) The provisions of section 212(n)(2) shall apply to a failure to meet a condition of clauses (i), (iii), and (iv) and subparagraph (G) in the same manner as such provisions apply to a failure to meet a condition of section 212(n)(1)(F).”

(b) APPROPRIATE AGENCIES REFERENCES.—Section 214(c)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)(1)) is amended by inserting after “Department of Agriculture,” the following: “For purposes of this subsection with respect to nonimmigrants described in section 101(a)(15)(L), the term ‘appropriate agencies of Government’ means the Department of Labor.”

(c) RESTRICTION OF BLANKET PETITIONS.—Section 214(c)(2)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)(2)(A)) is amended by striking “In the case of” and all

that follows through the period and inserting the following: “Not later than January 15 of each year, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall consult with the Secretary of Labor to ensure that procedures utilized in that calendar year to process blanket petitions shall not undermine efforts by the Department of Labor to enforce the provisions of this subsection and shall consider any recommendations that the Secretary of Labor proposes to such procedures to enhance compliance with the provisions of this subsection.”

(d) ACTION ON PETITIONS.—Section 214(c)(2)(C) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)(2)(C)) is amended by inserting before the period the following: “, unless the Secretary of Homeland Security, after consultation with the Secretary of Labor, determines that an additional period of time beyond 30 days is necessary to ensure the proper implementation of this subsection”.

(e) EMPLOYMENT HISTORY.—Section 101(a)(15)(L) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(L)) is amended by striking “one year” and inserting “2 of the last 3 years”.

(f) PERIOD OF ADMISSION.—Section 214(c)(2)(D) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)(2)(D)) is amended—

(1) in clause (i), by striking “7 years” and inserting “5 years”; and

(2) in clause (ii), by striking “5 years” and inserting “3 years”.

(g) RECRUITMENT; ADMINISTRATIVE FEE; DEFINITIONS.—Section 214(c)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(c)(2)), as amended by subsection (a), is further amended by adding at the end the following:

“(G) In the case of a petition to import aliens as nonimmigrants in a capacity that involves specialized knowledge as described in section 101(a)(15)(L), the employer, prior to filing the petition, shall file with the Secretary of Labor an application stating that the employer has taken good faith steps to recruit, in the United States using procedures that meet industry-wide standards, United States workers for the job for which the nonimmigrants are sought.

“(H) The Secretary of Labor shall impose a fee on an employer filing a petition to import aliens as nonimmigrants described in section 101(a)(15)(L) to cover the administrative costs of processing the petition.

“(I) The Secretary of Labor may initiate an investigation of any employer that employs nonimmigrants described in section 101(a)(15)(L) if the Secretary of Labor has reasonable cause to believe that the employer is not in compliance with this subsection. The investigation may be initiated not solely for completeness and obvious inaccuracies by the employer in complying with this subsection.

“(J) In this paragraph:

“(i) In the case of an application with respect to 1 or more nonimmigrants described in section 101(a)(15)(L) by an employer, the employer is considered to ‘displace’ a United States worker from a job if the employer lays off the worker from a job that is essentially the equivalent of the job for which the nonimmigrant is sought. A job shall not be considered to be essentially equivalent of another job unless it involves essentially the same responsibilities, was held by a United States worker with substantially equivalent qualifications and experience, and is located in the same area of employment as the other job.

“(ii) The term ‘lays off’, with respect to a worker—

“(aa) means to cause the worker's loss of employment, other than through a discharge for inadequate performance, violation of