

with tax favored Medical Savings Account (MSAs) under Medicare, as mandated by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

1014. A letter from the Acting Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report on the study of the appropriateness of alternative Medicare payment methodologies for the costs of training medical residents in nonhospital settings together with recommendations as determined by the Inspector General to be appropriate, pursuant to Public Law 108–173; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

1015. A letter from the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, transmitting the combined Quarterly Report and Semiannual Report to Congress, pursuant to Section 3001(i) of Title III of the 2004 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Defense and for the Reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan (Pub. L. 108-106) as amended by Pub. L. 108-375, and the Inspector General Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-452); jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. SMITH of Texas (for himself and Mr. BERMAN):

H.R. 1036. A bill to amend title 17, United States Code, to make technical corrections relating to copyright royalty judges; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH of Texas (for himself and Mr. BERMAN):

H.R. 1037. A bill to make technical corrections to title 17, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER:

H.R. 1038. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to allow a judge to whom a case is transferred to retain jurisdiction over certain multidistrict litigation cases for trial, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PICKERING (for himself, Mr. BERRY, Mr. NUNES, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, and Ms. HERSETH):

H.R. 1039. A bill to suspend temporarily new shipper bonding privileges; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BURGESS (for himself, Mr. HALL, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, and Mr. MCCAUL of Texas):

H.R. 1040. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide taxpayers a flat tax alternative to the current income tax system; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WELLER (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

H.R. 1041. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to provide each American child with a KidSave Account, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BACHUS (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mrs. KELLY, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. RENZI, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. NEY, Mr. FEENEY, Ms. HOOLEY, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, and Mr. MOORE of Kansas):

H.R. 1042. A bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify the definition of net worth under certain circumstances for purposes of the prompt corrective action authority of the National Credit Union Administration Board, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS (for himself and Ms. DEGETTE):

H.R. 1043. A bill to provide additional authority to the Office of Ombudsman of the Environmental Protection Agency; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. CAPITO:

H.R. 1044. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to permit the State of West Virginia to allow the operation of certain vehicles for the hauling of coal and coal by-products on Interstate Route 77 in Kanawha County, West Virginia; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. COSTELLO:

H.R. 1045. A bill to extend the filing deadline for certain Medicare claims to account for a delay in processing adjustments from secondary payor status to primary payor status; 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 Mrs. CUBIN:

H.R. 1046. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the storage of the city's water in the Kendrick Project, Wyoming; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia (for himself, Mr. GOODE, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. CANTOR, Mrs. DRAKE, Mr. WOLF, and Ms. NORTON):

H.R. 1047. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the tragic loss of lives at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001, and to support construction of the Pentagon 9/11 Memorial in Arlington, Virginia; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. EMANUEL (for himself and Mr. COOPER):

H.R. 1048. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxpayers to split refunds and make deposits electronically among certain accounts; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, and Mr. SOUDER):

H.R. 1049. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude certain truck tractors from the Federal excise tax on heavy trucks and trailers sold at retail; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. LEE:

H.R. 1050. A bill to establish a living wage, jobs for all policy for all peoples in the United States and its territories, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Armed Services, and Rules, 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. FALEOMAVAEGA:

H.R. 1051. A bill to authorize the extension of the supplemental security income program to American Samoa; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts:

H.R. 1052. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare and Medicaid Programs of incontinence undergarments; 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. GERLACH (for himself, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota, Ms. KAPTUR, and Mr. BURTON of Indiana):

H.R. 1053. A bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of Ukraine; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin:

H.R. 1054. A bill to establish the Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Ms. HOOLEY:

H.R. 1055. A bill to provide for the designation and funding of high intensity methamphetamine abuse and trafficking areas; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. HOOLEY:

H.R. 1056. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act with respect to the distribution of pseudoephedrine, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. KING of New York (for himself, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, and Mr. ENGEL):

H.R. 1057. A bill to award a congressional gold medal on behalf of all government workers and others who responded to the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon and perished and people aboard United Airlines Flight 93 who helped resist the hijackers and caused the plane to crash, to award a duplicate in silver of such gold medals to the personal representative of each such person, to require the Secretary of Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the Spirit of America, recognizing the tragic events of September 11, 2001, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. MCCARTHY (for herself, Mr. ANDREWS, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. KILDEE):

H.R. 1058. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to ensure that employees are not improperly disqualified from benefits under pension plans and welfare plans based on the misclassification or reclassification of their status; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. MEEHAN (for himself, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ACKERMAN, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. BERMAN, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. CAPUANO, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. DELAHUNT, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. FARR, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. HINCHAY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. HOLT, Mr. HONDA, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. LEE, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. NADLER, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California, Mr. SANDERS,

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SHAYS, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. STARK, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. WATERS, Ms. WATSON, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WEXLER, and Ms. WOOLSEY):

H.R. 1059. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to enhance the readiness of the Armed Forces by replacing the current policy concerning homosexuality in the Armed Forces, referred to as "Don't Ask, Don't Tell", with a policy of nondiscrimination on the basis of sexual orientation; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 1060. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to encourage the implementation or expansion of prekindergarten programs for students 4 years of age or younger; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ROHRBACHER:

H.R. 1061. A bill to prohibit United States assistance to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia until the Ethiopian Government returns all property of United States citizens and entities that has been nationalized, expropriated, or otherwise seized by the Ethiopian Government in contravention of international law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SHAW (for himself, Mr. HERGER, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. FOLEY, and Mr. SESSIONS):

H.R. 1062. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a shorter recovery period for the depreciation of certain improvements to retail space; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SHAW (for himself, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. PUTNAM, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, and Mr. KIND):

H.R. 1063. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code to restore equity and complete the transfer of motor fuel excise taxes attributable to motorboat and small engine fuels into the Aquatic Resources Trust Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SIMPSON:

H.R. 1064. A bill to remove the authority of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals to sit en banc with fewer than all circuit judges in regular active service; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. STEARNS (for himself, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

H.R. 1065. A bill to establish the United States Boxing Commission to protect the general welfare of boxers and to ensure fairness in the sport of professional boxing; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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. SANDERS (for himself and Mr. PAUL):

H.J. Res. 27. A joint resolution withdrawing the approval of the United States from the Agreement establishing the World Trade Organization; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. JACKSON of Illinois (for himself, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr.

BUTTERFIELD, Ms. CARSON, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. FORD, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HINCHAY, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. LEE, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. STARK, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. WATERS, Ms. WATSON, Mr. WATT, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. WYNN, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.J. Res. 28. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding the right to vote; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JACKSON of Illinois (for himself, Ms. CARSON, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. FORD, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. OWENS, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. WATERS, Ms. WATSON, Mr. WATT, Ms. MCKINNEY, and Mr. CLEAVER):

H.J. Res. 29. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding the right of all citizens of the United States to a public education of equal high quality; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JACKSON of Illinois (for himself, Mr. STARK, Ms. CARSON, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. OWENS, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. WATERS, Ms. WATSON, Mr. WATT, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. CLEAVER, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.J. Res. 30. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding the right of citizens of the United States to health care of equal high quality; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JACKSON of Illinois:

H.J. Res. 31. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to equality of rights and reproductive rights; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JACKSON of Illinois:

H.J. Res. 32. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States respecting the right to decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JACKSON of Illinois:

H.J. Res. 33. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States respecting the right to a clean, safe, and sustainable environment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JACKSON of Illinois:

H.J. Res. 34. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to taxing the people of the United States progressively; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JACKSON of Illinois:

H.J. Res. 35. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States respecting the right to full employment and balanced growth; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JACKSON of Illinois (for himself and Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts):

H.J. Res. 36. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to abolish the Electoral College and provide for the direct election of the President and Vice President by the popular vote of all citizens of the United States regardless of place of residence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, and Mr. HYDE):

H. Con. Res. 81. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the two-year anniversary of the human rights crackdown in Cuba; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. NEY:

H. Res. 133. A resolution providing amounts from the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives for continuing expenses of standing and select committees of the House from April 1, 2005, through April 30, 2005; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California:

H. Res. 134. A resolution requesting the President to transmit to the House of Representatives certain information relating to plan assets and liabilities of single-employer pension plans; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

MEMORIALS

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

6. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, relative to House Resolution No. 23 memorializing the Congress of the United States to award the Congressional Medal of Honor to Major Richard D. Winters; to the Committee on Armed Services.

7. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, relative to Senate Resolution No. 5 memorializing the Congress of the United States to award the Medal of Honor to Major Richard D. Winters; to the Committee on Armed Services.

8. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, relative to House Resolution No. 59 memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to increase the military death gratuity payment and the SGLI maximum benefit and to require the Federal Government to pay the SGLI premiums for members of the armed forces; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Veterans' Affairs.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, private bills and resolutions of the following