

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. GUTIERREZ (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

Mr. POMEROY (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

Mr. BUYER (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today and the balance of the week on account of medical reasons.

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 Mr. PALLONE) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WATERS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CUMMINGS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, today and January 23, 24, and 29.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today and January 24.

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

Mr. GOHMERT, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 37 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, January 23, 2007, at 10:30 a.m., for morning hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

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

366. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Beauveria Bassiana HF23; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0316; FRL-8108-4] received January 10, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

367. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of Presidential Determination No. 2007-6, Waiving Conditions on Obligation and Expenditure of Funds for

Planning, Design, and Construction of a Chemical Weapons Destruction Facility in Russia; to the Committee on Armed Services.

368. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Quality: Revision to Definition of Volatile Organic Compounds — Exclusion of HFE-7300 [EPA-HQ-OAR-2005-0124; FRL-8270-6] (RIN: 2060-AN34) received January 16, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

369. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Wisconsin; Correction [EPA-R05-OAR-2006-0797; FRL-8269-2] received January 16, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

370. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Environmental Protection Agency Implementation of OMB Guidance on Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension [FLR-8270-5] (RIN: 2030-AA94) received January 16, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

371. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Indentification of the Northern Virginia PM2.5 Nonattainment Area [EPA-R03-OAR-2006-0648; FRL-82661] received January 10, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

372. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Plans For Designated Facilities; New Jersey; Delegation of Authority [Docket No. EPA-R02-OAR-2006-0615, FRL-8268-9] received January 10, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

373. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Control of Volatile Organic Compounds from Medical Device Manufacturing [EPA-R03-OAR-2006-0638; FRL-8267-7] received January 10, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

374. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Determination of Attainment, Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Indiana; Redesignation of the Allen County 8-hour Ozone Nonattainment Area to Attainment [EPA-R05-OAR-2006-0399; FRL-8267-9] received January 10, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

375. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District and Ventura County Air Pollution Control District [EPA-R09-OAR-2006-0843; FRL-8261-3] received January 10, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

376. 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; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

377. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of the Memorandum of Justification under Section 610 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 regarding the determination to transfer prior year funds to the FY 2006 International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement Account for the Women's Justice and Empowerment Initiative; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

378. A letter from the General Counsel, General Accounting Office, transmitting the FY 2006 report of the instances in which a federal agency did not fully implement a recommendation made by the GAO in connection with a bid protest decided the prior fiscal year, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3554(e)(2); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

379. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

380. A letter from the Chief, Compliance Operations Division, Department of Transportation, transmitting revisions to the Department's annual report for FY 2005 prepared in accordance with Section 203 of the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act), Public Law 107-174; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

381. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Financial Report of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2006, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 331(e)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

382. A letter from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period April 1, 2006 through September 30, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 8G(h)(2); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

383. A letter from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting in accordance with the Reports Consolidation Act of 2000, Pub. L. 106-531, the Administration's FY 2006 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

384. A letter from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's report on Fiscal Year 2006 Competitive Sourcing Efforts as required by the Consolidated Appropriations Act of FY 2004; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

385. A letter from the Director, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, transmitting the Agency's Annual Report for FY 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

386. A letter from the Chief Administrative Officer, transmitting the quarterly report of receipts and expenditures of appropriations and other funds for the period October 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006 as compiled by the Chief Administrative Officer, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 104a Public Law 88-454; (H. Doc. No. 110-9); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LANGEVIN (for himself, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. REICHERT, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. KING of New York, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. SHAYS, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. DAVID DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. CARNEY, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. DENT, and Mr. PASCRELL):

H.R. 599. A bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to streamline the SAFETY Act and anti-terrorism technology procurement processes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. RUSH (for himself, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. WYNN):

H.R. 600. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a deferral of tax on gain from the sale of telecommunications businesses in specific circumstances or a tax credit and other incentives to promote diversity of ownership in telecommunications businesses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. BIGGERT (for herself and Mr. HINOJOSA):

H.R. 601. A bill to expand the definition of independent student in the Higher Education Act of 1965 to include homeless youth; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. BOREN:

H.R. 602. A bill to amend section 119 of title 17, United States Code, to allow the secondary transmission to any subscriber in the State of Oklahoma of primary transmissions of local network stations in that State; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HAYES:

H.R. 603. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an incentive for expanding employment in rural areas by allowing employers the work opportunity credit for hiring residents of rural areas; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HAYES:

H.R. 604. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the incentives for E-85 fuel vehicle refueling property; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HAYES:

H.R. 605. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide an increased maximum penalty for telemarketing fraud targeting seniors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, and 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. HAYES:

H.R. 606. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income mileage reimbursements to volunteer emergency medical responders and volunteer firefighters and to increase the mileage allowance for charitable contributions for the benefit of volunteer fire departments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 607. A bill to prohibit defense contractors from requiring licenses or fees for use of military likenesses and designations; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BARTON of Texas (for himself, Mr. UPTON, and Mr. HASTERT):

H.R. 608. A bill to further inform consumers about the transition to digital television; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. EDWARDS:

H.R. 609. A bill to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Central Texas Water Recycling and Reuse Project, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. CARNAHAN (for himself, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Ms. SCHWARTZ, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. GORDON, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. HINCHAY, Mr. HOLT, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. LAHOOD, and Mrs. JONES of Ohio):

H.R. 610. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the incentives for the rehabilitation of older buildings, including owner-occupied residences; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania (for himself and Mr. HOLDEN):

H.R. 611. A bill to eliminate the requirement that States collect Social Security numbers from applicants for recreational licenses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FILNER:

H.R. 612. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the period of eligibility for health care for combat service in the Persian Gulf War or future hostilities from two years to five years after discharge or release; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. FORTUÑO (for himself and Mr. SERRANO):

H.R. 613. A bill to amend section 1011 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 to permit Puerto Rico to qualify for Federal reimbursement of emergency health services furnished to undocumented aliens; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. FORTUÑO (for himself, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. GUTIERREZ, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 614. A bill to amend titles XI and XIX of the Social Security Act to remove the cap on Medicaid payments for Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. FORTUÑO (for himself, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. DENT, Mr. WELLER, Mr. GUTIERREZ, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 615. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase inpatient hospital payments under the Medicare Program to Puerto Rico hospitals; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FORTUÑO (for himself, Mr. GUTIERREZ, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 616. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for equity in the calculation of Medicare disproportionate share hospital payments for hospitals in Puerto Rico; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. MAHONEY of Florida, Mr. KLEIN of Florida, Ms. CASTOR, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. MEEK of Florida):

H.R. 617. A bill to authorize ecosystem restoration projects for the Indian River Lagoon-South and the Picayune Strand, Collier County, in the State of Florida; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. HUNTER (for himself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. HAYES, Mr.

DAVIS of Kentucky, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CANNON, Mr. WAMP, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. RENZI, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. HERGER, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. MANZULLO, Mrs. CUBIN, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. LINCOLN DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. FORBES, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. DAVID DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. TIAHRT, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. FORTUÑO, Mr. AKIN, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. GINGREY, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Ms. FOX, Mr. SALI, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. TERRY, Mr. PITTS, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. GOODE, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. KLINE of Minnesota, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. CARTER, and Mr. GOODLATTE):

H.R. 618. A bill to implement equal protection under the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution for the right to life of each born and preborn human person; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. LOWEY (for herself, Mr. SHAYS, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. KIRK, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. HOLT, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Ms. SCHWARTZ, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. WU, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. NADLER, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. CARNAHAN, Mr. FATTAH, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. COHEN, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. HOOLEY, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. STARK, Mr. SHERMAN, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. MCNULTY, and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H.R. 619. A bill to prohibit the application of certain restrictive eligibility requirements to foreign nongovernmental organizations with respect to the provision of assistance under part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. OLIVER (for himself, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. WALSH of New York, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. KIRK, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. HINCHAY, Mr. SHAYS, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. DICKS, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. CARDOZA, and Mr. HARE):

H.R. 620. A bill to accelerate the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in the United States by establishing a market-driven system of greenhouse gas tradeable allowances that will limit greenhouse gas emissions in the United States, reduce dependence upon foreign oil, and ensure benefits to consumers from the trading in such allowances, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Science and Technology, and Natural 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.