5731. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act in the Treasury Appropriation Fund, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; to the Committee on Appropriations.

5732. A letter from the Director, Selective Service System, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; to the Committee on Appropriations

5733. A letter from the Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting report on the Family Subsistence Supplemental Allowance (FSSA) program, covering the period October 1, 2006, through September 30, 2007, pursuant to 37 U.S.C. 402(a) Public Law 106-398, section 604(a); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5734. A letter from the Under Secretary for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's Commercial Activities Report for 2007, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2462(b); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5735. A letter from the Director, Pentagon Renovation and Construction Program Office, Department of Defense, transmitting the eighteenth annual report on the Pentagon Renovation and Construction Program Office (PENREN), pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2674; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5736. A letter from the Director, Army National Guard, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on the Army National Guard's Annual Financial Statement for FY 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5737. A letter from the District of Columbia Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a copy of a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2007 Annual Report on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions," pursuant to D.C. Code section 47-117(d); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5738. A letter from the Federal Co-Chairman, Delta Regional Authority, transmitting in compliance with the Accountability for Tax Dollars Act of 2002 (ATDA), a copy of the Authority's Audited Financial Statements for FY 2007, pursuant to Public Law 106-554, section 382L; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5739. A letter from the Under Secretary for Acquisitions, Technology and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's annual report on the implementation of Pub. L. 106-107, the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5740. 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.

5741. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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5746. A letter from the White House Liaison, Department of Justice, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5747. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's Federal Information Security Management Act and Agency Privacy Management Report, pursuant to Public Law 107-296; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

5748. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Mgmt., Department of Labor, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5749. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Transportation, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5750. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Policy and Planning, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting in accordance with Pub. L. 105-270, the Federal Activities Inventory Reform Act of 1998 (FAIR Act), the Department's inventory of commercial activities for calendar year 2006; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

5751. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's 2008 Annual Performance Plan, in accordance with the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5752. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the Commission's Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2008 through 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 306; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5753. A letter from the Chief Operating Officer/President, Financing Corporation, transmitting a copy of the Financing Corporation's Statement on Internal Controls and the 2007 Audited Financial Statements, pursuant to Public Law 101-73, section 511(a) (103 Stat. 404); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5754. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting notification of the new mileage reimbursement rates for Federal employees who use privately owned vehicles while on official travel, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5707(b)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Beform

5755. A letter from the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting the Board's report entitled, "Attracting the Next Generation: A Look at Federal Entry-Level New Hires," pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1204(a)(3); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

5756. A letter from the General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting the Board's report on the amount of acquisitions made from entities that manufacture the articles, materials, or supplies outside the United States in Fiscal Year 2007; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5757. A letter from the Chief Executive Officer, Neighborhood Reinvestment Corpora-

tion, transmitting the Corporation's 2007 Annual Performance Plan, in accordance with the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5758. A letter from the President and CEO, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's report on the use of the Category Rating System during fiscal year 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3319(d); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5759. A letter from the Chief Operating Officer/President, Resolution Funding Corporation, transmitting a copy of the Resolution Funding Corporation's Statement on Internal Controls and the 2007 Audited Financial Statements, pursuant to Public Law 101-73, section 511(a) (103 Stat. 404); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5760. A letter from the Chair, Office of Compliance, transmitting the Office's report on the adoption of regulations implementing employment rights and protection for Vererans, as required by the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 1316a; jointly to the Committees on Education and Labor and House Administration.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 4933. A bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to protect captive wildlife and to make technical corrections, and for other purposes (Rept. 110–551). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3891. A bill to amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act to increase the number of Directors on the Board of Directors of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (Rept. 110–552). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 2675. A bill to provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110–553). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House of the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3651. A bill to require the conveyance of certain public land within the boundaries of Camp Williams, Utah, to support the training and readiness of the Utah National Guard; with an amendment (Rept. 110-554). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 2515. A bill to authorize appropriations for the Bureau of Reclamation to carry out the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program in the States of Arizona, California, and Nevada, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110–555). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3352. A bill to reauthorize and amend the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-556). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 1187. A bill to expand the

boundaries of the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary and the Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary; with amendments (Rept. 110–557). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 2342. A bill to direct the President to establish a National Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110–558, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. GORDON: Committee on Science and Technology. H.R. 4847. A bill to reauthorize the United States Fire Administration, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110–559). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. WAXMAN: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 5551. A bill to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to implement the increase provided under the District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2008, in the amount of funds made available for the compensation of attorneys representing indigent defendants in the District of Columbia courts, and for other purposes (Rept. 110–560). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII, the Committee on Science and Technology discharged from further consideration. H.R. 2342 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 948. Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than May 2, 2008.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. HENSARLING (for himself and Mr. CONAWAY):

H.R. 5656. A bill to repeal a requirement with respect to the procurement and acquisition of alternative fuels; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. COHEN:

H.R. 5657. A bill to clarify the authority of States to use funds as the non-Federal share of Medicaid expenditures for certain regional medical centers; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. SKELTON (for himself and Mr. HUNTER) (both by request):

H.R. 5658. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2009, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Walsh of New York, Mr. Chabot, Mr. Wilson of South Carolina, and Mr. Sensenbrenner):

H.R. 5659. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for recycling or remanufacturing equipment; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MEEK of Florida:

H.R. 5660. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a nonrefundable

credit for mentoring and housing young adults; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PEARCE:

H.R. 5661. A bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. REYES:

H.R. 5662. A bill to enhance the safety of ports of entry in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Agriculture, and Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. RODRIGUEZ:

H.R. 5663. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an increase in the rates of basic educational assistance payable under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. RODRIGUEZ:

H.R. 5664. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to update at least once every six years the plans and specifications for specially adapted housing furnished to veterans by the Secretary; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. TURNER:

H.R. 5665. A bill to impose limitations on investment and certain operations by foreign entities in the United States; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs, 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 Ms. VELÁZQUEZ:

H.R. 5666. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the earned income tax credit to taxpayers who exceed 40 hours of wage work per week; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (for herself, Mr. Paul, Mr. McCaul of Texas, Mr. Poe, Mr. Ortiz, Mr. Hensarling, Ms. Granger, Mr. Reyes, Mr. Cuellar, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Gene Green of Texas, Mr. Conaway, Mr. Culberson, Mr. Hinojosa, Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Mr. Hall of Texas, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Lampson, Mr. Neugebauer, and Mr. Al Green of Texas):

H. Con. Res. 320. Concurrent resolution honoring Army Specialist Monica L. Brown, extending gratitude to her and her family, and pledging continuing support for the men and women of the United States Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LEWIS of Georgia (for himself, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Smith of Texas, Mr. NADLER, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. COHEN, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. CLAY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. RUSH, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Mr. Van Hollen, Mr. Cleaver, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. McCollum of Minnesota, and Mr. DONNELLY):

H. Res. 1061. A resolution commemorating the 40th anniversary of the assassination of

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and encouraging people of the United States to pause and remember the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. McCARTHY of New York:

H. Res. 1062. A resolution expressing support for National Facial Protection Month; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. WU (for himself, Mr. Petri, Mr. Berman, Ms. Ros-Lehtinen, Mr. Wexler, Mr. Gallegly, and Mr. Chandler):

H. Res. 1063. A resolution marking the 225th anniversary of the Treaty of Paris of 1783, which ended the Revolutionary War with the Kingdom of Great Britain and recognized the independence of the United States of America, and acknowledging the shared values and close friendship between the peoples and governments of the United States and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII.

Ms. SHEA-PORTER introduced a bill (H.R. 5667) to provide for the liquidation or reliquidation of certain entries of newspaper printing presses and components thereof; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 211: Mr. SARBANES.

H.R. 333: Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut.

H.R. 406: Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Rangel, Mr. McCotter, Mr. Rush, Mr. Young of Alaska, Mr. Ruppersberger, Mr. Mack, and Mr. Tanner.

H.R. 549: Mr. WAMP and Mr. Boswell.

H.R. 579: Mr. BURGESS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. ELLISON, and Mr. MICA.

H.R. 601: Mr. Johnson of Georgia.

H.R. 734: Mr. BARROW.

H.R. 769: Mr. HERGER.

H.R. 780: Mr. SHAYS.

H.R. 864: Mr. SMITH of Nebraska.

H.R. 1023: Mr. MICHAUD.

H.R. 1032: Mr. Boren and Mr. Meek of Florida.

H.R. 1043: Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. WILSON of Ohio, Mr. GUTIERREZ, and Mr. RYAN of Ohio.

H.R. 1072: Mr. Towns.

H.R. 1073: Mr. SARBANES.

 $\rm H.R.~1076;~Mr.~Wilson~of~Ohio~and~Mr.~BISHOP~of~Georgia.$

 $\rm H.R.~1078;~Mr.~Lincoln~Diaz\mbox{-}Balart~of}$ Florida.

H.R. 1110: Mr. McHenry, Mr. Cuellar, Ms. Castor, and Mr. Gonzalez.

H.R. 1142: Mr. GORDON, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. ROTHMAN, and Mr. CUELLAR.

 $\rm H.R.$ 1188: Mr. Rothman.

H.R. 1192: Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. COHEN, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, and Mr. BOUSTANY.

 $\rm H.R.~1228;~Mr.~DEFAZIO$ and $\rm Mr.~KuhL$ of New York.

H.R. 1237: Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. EHLERS, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. BOREN, Mr. FEENEY, and Ms. SHEA-PORTER.

H.R. 1273: Mr. WEINER.

H.R. 1282: Mr. MOORE of Kansas.

H.R. 1283: Mr. Chabot, Mr. Emanuel, Mr. Hoekstra, Mr. Inslee, Mr. Lampson, Mr. McCotter, Mr. Rodriguez, and Mr. Stupak.