

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

Mr. SKELTON, for 5 minutes, today.
 Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. SCHIFF, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE BILL 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. 1760. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the Healthy Start Initiative; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker announced her signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 2954. To amend Public Law 110-196 to provide for a temporary extension of programs authorized by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 beyond May 2, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 46 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, May 5, 2008, at 12:30 p.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:

6360. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-359, "Electronic Mail Public Record Clarification Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6361. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-359, "Electronic Mail Public Record Clarification Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6362. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-360, "Compliance Unit Establishment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6363. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting the Board's final rule — Participants' Choices of TSP Funds — received April 25, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6364. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule — HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT IN AGENCIES (RIN: 3206-AJ92) received April 25, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6365. A letter from the Assistant Secretary — Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Public Access, Use, and Recreation Regulations for the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge (RIN: 1018-AV43) received April 25, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6366. A letter from the Director Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by American Fisheries Act Catcher Processors Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 071106673-8011-02] (RIN: 0648-XG86) received April 29, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6367. A letter from the Acting Director Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Atka Mackerel by Vessels in the Amendment 80 Limited Access Fishery in the Western Aleutian District of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 071106673-8011-02] (RIN: 0648-XH07) received April 30, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6368. A letter from the Acting Director Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 071106673-8011-02] (RIN: 0648-XH13) received April 29, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6369. A letter from the Acting Director Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch for Vessels in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Trawl Limited Access Fishery in the Eastern Aleutian District of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 071106673-8011-02] (RIN: 0648-XG59) received April 7, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6370. A letter from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife; Sea Turtle Conservation [Docket No. 071030628-8482-02] (RIN: 0648-AV84) received April 25, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

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. FRANK of Massachusetts: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 5579. A bill to remove an impediment to troubled debt restructuring on the part of holders of residential mortgage loans, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-615). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 5818. A bill to au-

thorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to make loans to States to acquire foreclosed housing and to make grants to States for related costs; with an amendment (Rept. 110-616). 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:

[Omitted from the Record of April 30, 2008]

H.R. 135. Referral to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure extended for a period ending not later than May 22, 2008.

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H.R. 948. Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than June 6, 2008.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. TOWNS (for himself, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. WATERS, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 5937. A bill to facilitate the preservation of certain affordable housing dwelling units; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, and Mr. GOHMERT):

H.R. 5938. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide secret service protection to former Vice Presidents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARSON:

H.R. 5939. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the time limitation for the use of entitlement to educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill for certain persons actively pursuing a qualifying educational degree or certificate; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed 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. GORDON (for himself, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. EHLERS, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. WU, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mrs. BIGGERT, Ms. GIFFORDS, Mr. AKIN, Ms. HOOLEY, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. INGALLS of South Carolina, Mr. WILSON of Ohio, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. GINGREY, and Mr. BILBRAY):

H.R. 5940. A bill to authorize activities for support of nanotechnology research and development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science and Technology.

By Mr. FOSTER:

H.R. 5941. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize taxpayers to designate a portion of their income tax payments to a National Military Family Relief Fund to be used by the Secretary of Defense

to assist the families of members of the Armed Forces who are serving in, or have served in, Iraq or Afghanistan; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Armed 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. TOWNS (for himself, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mrs. BLACKBURN):

H.R. 5942. A bill to ensure the continued and future availability of lifesaving trauma health care in the United States and to prevent further trauma center closures and downgrades by assisting trauma centers with uncompensated care costs, core mission services, emergency needs, and information technology; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BURGESS:

H.R. 5943. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Energy to establish monetary prizes for achievements in designing and proposing nuclear energy used fuel alternatives; to the Committee on Science and Technology.

By Mr. PUTNAM (for himself, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mrs. DRAKE, Mr. KLINE of Minnesota, and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 5944. A bill to amend titles 10 and 38, United States Code, to improve educational assistance for members of the Armed Forces and veterans in order to enhance recruitment and retention for the Armed Forces, 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.

By Mrs. CAPITO:

H.R. 5945. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including the Washington Family Legacy Lands of Jefferson County, West Virginia, as part of Harpers Ferry National Historical Park or designating the lands as a separate unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. ELLISON (for himself, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. WALZ of Minnesota, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. FILNER, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. WATT, Mrs. WATSON, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. KAGEN):

H.R. 5946. A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require States to provide for election day registration; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. KING of New York (for himself, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. REYNOLDS, and Mr. KUHLMANN of New York):

H.R. 5947. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a returning soldiers' bill of rights; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. LAMPSON:

H.R. 5948. A bill to amend section 274 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to increase penalties for unlawfully bringing in and harboring aliens with prior felony convictions under Federal law; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LATOURETTE (for himself and Mrs. MILLER of Michigan):

H.R. 5949. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to address certain discharges incidental to the normal operation of a recreational vessel; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California:

H.R. 5950. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish procedures for the timely and effective delivery of medical and mental health care to all immigration detainees in custody, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. MATSUI:

H.R. 5951. A bill to implement a safe and complete streets program; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. SCHWARTZ:

H.R. 5952. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to authorize tax credit bonds for capital improvements for police and fire departments; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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. SMITH of Washington (for himself, Mr. DICKS, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. BAIRD, and Mr. LARSEN of Washington):

H.R. 5953. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve the provision of items and services provided to Medicare beneficiaries residing in rural areas; 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 Mr. THOMPSON of California (for himself and Mr. REHBERG):

H.R. 5954. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide veterans for presumptions of service connection for purposes of benefits under laws administered by Secretary of Veterans Affairs for diseases associated with service in the Armed Forces and exposure to biological, chemical, or other toxic agents as part of Project 112, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed 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. WALBERG (for himself, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. FEENEY, Mr. KLINE of Minnesota, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. CHABOT, and Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland):

H.R. 5955. A bill to provide for comprehensive health reform; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, the Judiciary, and 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. WEINER:

H.R. 5956. A bill to improve the protections afforded under Federal law to consumers from contaminated seafood by directing the Secretary of Commerce to establish a program, in coordination with other appropriate Federal agencies, to strengthen activities for ensuring that seafood sold or offered for sale to the public in or affecting interstate commerce is fit for human consumption; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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. BUTTERFIELD:

H. Con. Res. 339. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the necessity to improve public awareness in the United States among older individuals and

their families and caregivers about the impending Digital Television Transition through the establishment of a Federal interagency taskforce between the Federal Communications Commission, the Administration on Aging, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, and the outside advice of appropriate members of the aging network and industry groups; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California:

H. Con. Res. 340. Concurrent resolution to make technical corrections in the enrollment of the bill H. R. 493; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BOUSTANY:

H. Res. 1168. A resolution congratulating charter schools and their students, parents, teachers, and administrators across the United States for their ongoing contributions to education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. LEWIS of Georgia (for himself, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. LEE, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. HONDA, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. SUTTON, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. COHEN, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. MICHAUD, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. DAVIS of Alabama, Mr. WYNN, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. WATSON, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. RUSH, Mr. BACA, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. WATT, and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia):

H. Res. 1169. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should become an international human rights leader by ratifying and implementing certain core international conventions; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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. EHLERS:

H. Res. 1170. A resolution commending Indiana Secretary of State Todd Rokita for his leadership and dedication to protecting the integrity of the election process and increasing voter confidence in all of our elections; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. KING of Iowa (for himself and Ms. HERSETH SANDLIN):

H. Res. 1171. A resolution congratulating the on-premises sign industry for its contributions to the success of small businesses on the occasion of its 62nd Annual International Sign Expo; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York (for herself, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. SUTTON, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. BISHOP of New York, and Mr. MICHAUD):

H. Res. 1172. A resolution recognizing and honoring the Firefighter Cancer Support Network; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

MEMORIALS

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

260. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State