

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

8550. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter reporting a violation of the Antideficiency Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

8551. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Labor, transmitting a letter reporting violations of the Antideficiency Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; to the Committee on Appropriations.

8552. A letter from the Principal Deputy, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of 15 officers to wear the authorized insignia of the next higher grade, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

8553. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General John A. Bradley, United States Air Force Reserve, and his placement on the retired list in the grade of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

8554. A letter from the Principal Deputy, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of Rear Admiral (lower half) Moira N. Flanders, to wear the authorized insignia of the grade of rear admiral, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

8555. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's annual report for fiscal year 2006 on the quality of health care furnished under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, pursuant to Section 723 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000; to the Committee on Armed Services.

8556. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's Fiscal Year 2007 Report to Congress of the Maritime Administration; to the Committee on Armed Services.

8557. A letter from the General Counsel (OFHEO), Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Golden Parachute Payments and Indemnification Payments (RIN: 2590-AA08) received September 15, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

8558. A letter from the Chairman, Southeast Compact Commission for Low-Level Radioactive Waste Management, transmitting the Commission's 2006-2007 Annual Report and Annual Audit; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8559. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's semiannual report detailing payments made to Cuba as a result of the provision of telecommunications services, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 6004(e)(6); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8560. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(C), section 204(C); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8561. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12957 of March 5, 1995, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), section 401(c); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8562. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Zimbabwe that was declared in Executive Order 13288 of March 6, 2003, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), section 401(c); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8563. A letter from the Director for Acquisition Management and Procurement Executive, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's annual progress report which covers interagency activities and DOC-specific activities, pursuant to Public Law 106-107, section 5; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8564. 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.

8565. A letter from the Acting 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.

8566. A letter from the Deputy 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.

8567. A letter from the Deputy 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.

8568. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Chief Acquisition Officer, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's FY 2007 "Buy American Report," pursuant to Public Law 110-28, section 8306; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8569. 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.

8570. A letter from the President & CEO, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's Buy American Act Report for fiscal years 2006 and 2007, pursuant to Public Law 109-115 and Public Law 110-28; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8571. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Commerce, transmitting proposed legislation to amend title 35, United States Code, to authorize expenditure of funds for certain travel-related expenses of non-federal employees attending programs regarding intellectual property law and the effectiveness of intellectual property protection; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8572. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's biennial report on performance milestones for the Clean Coal Power Initiative, pursuant to Public Law 109-58, section 403; to the Committee on Science and Technology.

8573. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Tier II Industry Director's Directive on the Planning and Examination of Gift Card/Certificate Issues in the Retail and Food & Beverage Industries #2 [LMSB Control No.: LMSB-04-0808-042] received September 12, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8574. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Update for Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates [No-

tice 2008-75] received September 12, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8575. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Coordinated Issue All Industries False Claims Act Settlements With Department of Justice (DOJ) UILs: 162.21-17 (Health Care Fraud) 162.21-18 (Environmental Fraud) 162.21-19 (Aerospace Defense Contractors) 162.21-20 (DOJ — Fraud Settlements not under False Claims Act) 162.21-01 (Cases not covered by the above UILs) [LMSB-4-0908-045] received September 12, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8576. A letter from the Branch Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Implementation of Form 990 [TD 9423] (RIN: 1545-BH85) received September 12, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8577. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Section 6707A and the Failure to Include on any Return or Statement any Information Required to be Disclosed under Section 6011 with Respect to a Reportable Transaction [TD 9425] (RIN: 1545-BF62) received September 12, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8578. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Medicare Program; Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Benefit Programs: Final Marketing Provisions [CMS 4131-F] (RIN: 0938-AP24) received September 15, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

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. DINGELL: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 758. A bill to require that health plans provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for mastectomies, lumpectomies, and lymph node dissection for the treatment of breast cancer and coverage for secondary consultations; with an amendment (Rept. 110-868 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DINGELL: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 6353. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to address online pharmacies; with an amendment (Rept. 110-869 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DINGELL: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 6908. A bill to require that limitations and restrictions on coverage under group health plans be timely disclosed to group health plan sponsors and timely communicated to participants and beneficiaries under such plans in a form that is easily understandable (Rept. 110-870 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DINGELL: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 2994. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to pain care; with an amendment (Rept. 110-871 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DINGELL: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 2583. A bill to amend title

VII of the Public Health Service Act to establish a loan program for eligible hospitals to establish residency training programs, with an amendment (Rept. 110-872). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DINGELL: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 1532. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to making progress toward the goal of eliminating tuberculosis, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-873). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DINGELL: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 1014. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act to improve the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in women; with an amendment (Rept. 110-874). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

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Mr. MCGOVERN: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 1488. Resolution providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 2638) making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes (Rept. 110-875). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. ARCURI: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 1489. Resolution waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (Rept. 110-876). Referred to the House Calendar.

#### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of the rule XII the Committees on Ways and Means and Education and Labor discharged from further consideration. H.R. 758 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the Committee on the Judiciary discharged from further consideration. H.R. 6353 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the Committees on Education and Labor and Ways and Means discharged from further consideration. H.R. 6908 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union 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. DUNCAN (for himself, Mr. COOPER, Mr. DAVID DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. GORDON, Mr. WAMP, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. LINCOLN DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. TANNER, and Mr. COHEN):

H.R. 6996. A bill to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "William C. Tallent Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. GORDON:

H.R. 6997. A bill to implement a National Water Research and Development Initiative,

and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science and Technology.

By Mr. MAHONEY of Florida:

H.R. 6998. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide education and training to emergency response providers and community leaders relating to the mental health of veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CUMMINGS (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. BISHOP of New York, and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi):

H.R. 6999. A bill to restructure the Coast Guard Integrated Deepwater Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. WAXMAN:

H.R. 7000. A bill to require any eligible telecommunications carrier receiving universal service support for the provision of services for rural, insular, and high cost areas to offer automatic roaming services to any technically compatible carrier upon request; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. BALDWIN:

H.R. 7001. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to improve access to high-quality early learning and child care for low-income children and working families, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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 Ms. RICHARDSON:

H.R. 7002. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to establish and collect a national container fee and to use amounts collected from the fee to make grants for infrastructure projects at United States seaports and in surrounding areas to improve the movement of goods, enhance transportation security, and mitigate environmental damage caused by the movement of goods; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Foreign 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. DOGGETT (for himself, Mr. EDWARDS of Texas, Mr. FILNER, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. REYES, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.R. 7003. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit discrimination and acts of reprisal against persons who receive treatment for illnesses, injuries, and disabilities incurred in or aggravated by service in the uniformed services; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. YARMUTH:

H.R. 7004. A bill to amend the Tom Osborne Federal Youth Coordination Act to create the White House Office of National Youth Policy to ensure the coordination and effectiveness of services to youth, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. RANGEL (for himself, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. HERGER, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. REYNOLDS, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. PORTER, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. MEEK of Florida):

H.R. 7005. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide alternative minimum tax relief for individuals for 2008; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RANGEL (for himself, Mr. KIND, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. CAZAYOUX, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MEEK of Florida, and Mr. MAHONEY of Florida):

H.R. 7006. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide disaster assistance relief; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ACKERMAN (for himself, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. KANJORSKI, and Mr. WOLF):

H.R. 7007. A bill to establish the American Cybersecurity Commission to investigate the current threats to the cybersecurity of American business and infrastructure from foreign entities; to the Committee on Science and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. BOUSTANY, and Mr. MCCRERY):

H.R. 7008. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to provide for disaster assistance for electric utility companies serving low-income households, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. BEAN (for herself, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, and Mr. CARSON):

H.R. 7009. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow employers a credit against income tax for the cost of telecommuting equipment and expenses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. BEAN (for herself, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. ISRAEL, Mrs. BOYDA of Kansas, Mr. WEINER, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, and Mr. CARSON):

H.R. 7010. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a refundable, advanceable tax credit for health insurance costs of individuals with COBRA continuation coverage by reason of termination of employment; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 7011. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to make a technical correction in the application of the special rules regarding the payment of combat-related special compensation to eligible combat-related disabled uniformed services retirees who are retired for disability under chapter 61 of such title; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida (for herself and Mr. PUTNAM):

H.R. 7012. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to authorize States to issue special permits to allow the operation of vehicles of not to exceed 95,000 pounds on Interstate System highways for the hauling of livestock; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mrs. CAPPS (for herself, Mr. BOUCHER, and Ms. SOLIS):

H.R. 7013. A bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to provide for a short term extension of the analog television broadcasting authority so that essential public safety announcements and digital television transition information may be provided for a short time during the transition to digital television broadcasting; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.