

human cargo. It directs the Sentencing Guidelines Commission to put "teeth" into the statute by adopting sentencing enhancements for terrorism, moving large groups of aliens, or abandoning aliens in harsh conditions such as the desert or at sea. It maintains the current sentencing structure in which smuggling for profit or to facilitate a crime results in mandatory minimum sentences, and maintains the current sentencing structure in capital cases.

Alien smuggling will not stop until we establish an immigration policy that substantially reduces the need for illegal entry into the United States.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

I yield back my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LUJÁN). The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. JACKSON-LEE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1029, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H. CON. RES. 85, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

Mr. PERLMUTTER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 111-70) on the resolution (H. Res. 305) providing for consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 85) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2010 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2009 and 2011 through 2014, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1664, PAY FOR PERFORMANCE ACT

Mr. PERLMUTTER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 111-71) on the resolution (H. Res. 306) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1664) to amend the executive compensation provisions of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 to prohibit unreasonable and excessive compensation and compensation not based on performance standards, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1256, FAMILY SMOKING PREVENTION AND TOBACCO CONTROL ACT

Mr. PERLMUTTER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privi-

leged report (Rept. No. 111-72) on the resolution (H. Res. 307) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1256) to protect the public health by providing the Food and Drug Administration with certain authority to regulate tobacco products, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

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MIAMI DADE COLLEGE LAND CONVEYANCE ACT

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 838) to provide for the conveyance of a parcel of land held by the Bureau of Prisons of the Department of Justice in Miami Dade County, Florida, to facilitate the construction of a new educational facility that includes a secure parking area for the Bureau of Prisons, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 838

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Miami Dade College Land Conveyance Act".

SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF BUREAU OF PRISONS LAND TO MIAMI DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

(a) CONVEYANCE REQUIRED.—The Attorney General shall convey to Miami Dade College of Miami Dade County, Florida (in this section referred to as the "College"), all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a parcel of land held by the Bureau of Prisons of the Department of Justice in Miami Dade County, Florida, consisting of a parking lot approximately 47,500 square feet and located at 35 NE 2 Street, for the purpose of permitting the College to use the parcel as a site for a new educational building that includes a parking area, of which not less than 118 secure parking spaces shall be designated for use by the Bureau of Prisons of the Department of Justice.

(b) REVERSIONARY INTEREST.—If the Attorney General determines at any time that the real property conveyed under subsection (a) is not being used in accordance with the purpose of the conveyance specified in such subsection, all right, title, and interest in and to the property shall revert, at the option of the Attorney General, to the United States, and the United States shall have the right of immediate entry onto the property. Any determination of the Attorney General under this subsection shall be made on the record after an opportunity for a hearing.

(c) SURVEY.—If the Attorney General considers it necessary, the Attorney General may have the exact acreage or square footage and legal description of the land to be conveyed under subsection (a) determined by a survey satisfactory to the Attorney General. The College shall bear the cost of the survey.

(d) EXEMPTION.—Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)) shall not apply to the conveyance of land under subsection (a).

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LUJÁN). Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. JACKSON-LEE) and the gentleman from Utah (Mr.

CHAFFETZ) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Texas.

GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Texas?

There was no objection.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 838, the Miami Dade College Land Conveyance Act, introduced by Representative ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN, will authorize the Department of Justice's Bureau of Prisons to convey a parcel of land to Miami Dade College in Miami, Florida.

Currently, the BOP's Miami Federal Detention Center's satellite parking lot occupies the land. Miami Dade College plans on building an educational facility on this land, which will include covered and secured ground floor parking for BOP employees at no cost to the agency.

The Bureau of Prisons does not have the authority to transfer this parcel of land to the college. However, this bill, which the agency supports, would permit the transfer to take place.

The college will make good use of the 47,500-square-foot area of land while also providing as many as 118 Bureau of Prisons parking spaces. This, obviously, is a good, collegiate way to work with an institution of higher education and our need for detention facilities, and this legislation allows that decision and that action to go forward. I urge all of my colleagues to support this helpful legislation.

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I urge all of my colleagues to support this helpful legislation.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CHAFFETZ. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 838, the Miami Dade College Land Conveyance Act. This bill was introduced

by the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN). The act would convey a parcel of land held by the Bureau of Prisons to the Miami Dade College, which is adjacent to the Bureau of Prisons facility. The parcel of land is now used as a parking lot by the Bureau of Prisons facility.

As a result of this act, the college will be permitted to use the parcel as a site for the new building that will include a garage parking area. That parking area will contain 118 secured parking spaces that will be designated for use by the Bureau of Prisons.

This conveyance outlined in this bill will benefit both the Bureau of Prisons and the Miami Dade College. The Department of Justice has reviewed the bill, and does not oppose its enactment. I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 838.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CHAFFETZ. Mr. Speaker, I would like to yield such time as she may consume to the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN).

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I am so pleased to see that the Miami Dade College Land Conveyance Act is before the House today. This is a great example of Federal-local partnerships truly benefiting both Miami Dade College and the Bureau of Prisons. This bill will facilitate the construction of a new educational facility in downtown Miami as well as provide secured parking for the Bureau of Prisons.

Miami Dade College has been an essential institution in South Florida for over half a century. It was born of the idea that anyone with a desire to get a college degree should be given that opportunity.

By 1967, the college was the largest institution of higher education in our great State of Florida. Today, it has built upon that position, and is now the largest institution of higher education in the United States, serving over 160,000 students last year, all the while maintaining an affordable and exceptional course of study.

Miami Dade College has been instrumental in the development and success of thousands of students, and I am proud to say that my father, my brother and I are all graduates of this fine institution. It serves our community with fine distinction. In fact, 96 percent of the students enrolled at Miami Dade College are residents from our local area. Just 2 years ago, the college reached a truly incredible milestone. It welcomed its 1.5 millionth student. We are only a community of 2.3 million, so the sheer amount of lives that the college has influenced is astonishing.

When I say that Miami Dade College is central to the educational, social and cultural fabric of South Florida, know that this is no exaggeration. The college also embodies the essence of diversity. Almost 80 percent of its students come from a minority background. It enrolls more minorities than

any other college or university in the United States, and in Florida, 33 percent of all minority students attending community colleges are attending Miami Dade College.

This bill will allow for the much needed expansion of the facilities in downtown Miami, and it will allow the college to offer more courses to more students. All this has been made possible by the stellar performance, leadership and guidance of the college president, Dr. Eduardo J. Padron, himself an alum of Miami Dade College. He is a man of unyielding strength and a passion for education. He has spent his entire career making sure that all students have the tools and the opportunities to succeed. His time at Miami Dade College has been defined by growth and greater academic accreditation. He has truly made a positive difference in the lives of countless individuals, and I commend him for all that he continues to do in support of our college.

I thank the Speaker; I thank the Members who have given me this opportunity, and I urge all Members to vote in favor of this legislation, supporting a fine institution of higher learning and the many wonderful students who will benefit from this expansion.

I thank the gentleman for his time, and I thank my good friend from Texas (Ms. JACKSON-LEE) for her time as well.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, let me congratulate the gentlewoman for not only providing this facilitation for this institution of higher learning but for helping out the Bureau of Prisons, which is the Judiciary Committee's jurisdiction.

As I close, let me just acknowledge the legislation, H. Res. 290, that Congresswoman BARBARA LEE offered today and add my sympathy to the people of California. I thank Congresswoman LEE for bringing forward legislation that honors the lives that were lost—Sergeant Mark Dunakin, Sergeant Ervin Romans, Sergeant Daniel Sakai, and Officer John Hege, who were members of the Oakland Police Department in California.

In the month of May, we will be honoring law enforcement officers who have fallen across America. We have done that every year since I have been in the United States Congress. Tragically and sadly, we will do it again, even honoring those who have come from Texas and Houston. So H. Res. 290 has my sympathy as well. Before I closed, I wanted to acknowledge that.

Let me now close on this legislation, H.R. 838, and indicate my support and ask my colleagues to support this legislation.

I yield back the balance of my time. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. JACKSON-LEE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 838, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the

rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF VISITORS TO UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 6968(a), and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy:

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Maryland
Mr. CUMMINGS, Maryland
Mr. KLINE, Minnesota
Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, New Jersey

THE ECONOMIC CRISIS

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow and for the rest of the week, this body will engage in a very important, principled debate that really responds to the calamity that we have been facing over the last 6 to 8 months, and that is the economic crisis.

The administration has put forward its initiative that addresses the principles of a budget. This Congress, along with several caucuses, has offered budgets to be able to address the pain of the American people.

What I am so proud of and the reason I am standing here today is that Democrats have come together around principles that will help to heal the economy: the infusion of dollars into education, into health care, a continued commitment to energy reform, and the review of energy opportunities across, if you will, the spectrum of resources. Certainly, we recognize the needs of our veterans and of our soldiers across the land.

I hope we will have a vigorous debate on behalf of the American people.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 2009, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. POE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. POE of Texas addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

HONORING THE LIFE, SERVICE AND HEROISM OF ARMY SERGEANT SCOTT B. STREAM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. GUTHRIE) is recognized for 5 minutes.