

emergency with respect to the former Liberian regime of Charles Taylor that was declared in Executive Order 13348 of July 22, 2004; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

187. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Actions Taken on Office of Inspector General Recommendations" for the period ending March 31, 2008, pursuant to the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

188. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Actions Taken on Office of Inspector General Recommendations" for the period ending September 30, 2008, pursuant to Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

189. A letter from the Associate Deputy Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting notification that the Department has adopted and will fully follow the guidelines of the No FEAR Act; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

190. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's report on competitive sourcing efforts for fiscal year 2008, pursuant to Public Law 108-199, section 647(b) of Division F; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

191. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting the Commission's strategic plan for fiscal years 2010-2015; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

192. A letter from the Inspector General, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's semiannual report from the Office of the Inspector General during the 6-month period ending September 30, 2008; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

193. A letter from the General Counsel, Government Accountability Office, transmitting a letter pursuant to the requirements of the Competition in Contracting Act of 1984, 31 U.S.C. 3554(e)(2)(2000); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

194. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

195. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

196. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring Fishery; 2007-2009 Specifications [Docket No.: 061228342-7068-02] (RIN: 0648-XM06) received January 7, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

197. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries in the Western Pacific Crustacean Fisheries; Deepwater Shrimp (RIN: 0648-AV29) received January 7, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

198. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, For Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Pacific Halibut Fisheries; Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands King and Tanner Crab Fisheries; Groundfish Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Individual Fishing Quota Program; Western Alaska Community Development Quota Program; Record-keeping and Reporting; Permits [Docket No.: 080302360-7686-03] (RIN: 0648-AT91) received January 7, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

199. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Taking of Marine Mammals Incidental to Commercial Fishing Operations; Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Plan [Docket No.: 0812081564-81568-01] (RIN: 0648-XM18) received January 7, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

200. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries (RIN: 0648-XM15) received January 7, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

201. A letter from the Director, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Report to the Nation 2007" from the Office for Victims of Crime for fiscal years 2005-2007, pursuant to Section 1407(g) of the Victims of Crime Act of 1984; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

202. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Voluntary Departure: Effect of a Motion to Reopen or Reconsider or a Petition for Review [EOIR Docket No.: 163; AG Order No. 3027-2008] (RIN: 1125-AA60) received January 6, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

203. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a report for fiscal year 2005 through 2008 on expenditures from the Pershing Hall Revolving Fund for projects, activities, and facilities that support the mission of the Department, pursuant to Public Law 102-86, section 403(d)(6)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

204. A letter from the Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of action taken to extend the "Memorandum of Understanding Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Kingdom of Cambodia Concerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Khmer Archaeological Material," pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2602(g), section 303(g); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

205. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Interim Guidance under section 475A (Notice 2009-08) received January 15, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

206. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Required Minimum Distributions for 2009 (Notice 2009-9) received January 15, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

207. A letter from the Chief Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service,

transmitting the Service's final rule — Postponement of Certain Tax-related Deadlines by Reason of a Federally Declared Disaster or Terroristic or Military Action [TD 9443] (RIN: 1545-BG16) received January 15, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

208. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Postponement of Certain Tax-related Deadlines by Reason of a Federally Declared Disaster or Terroristic or Military Action (Rin: 1545-BG16 (TD 9443) received January 15, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

209. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Revenue Ruling: 2009 Prevailing State Assumed Interest Rates received January 15, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

210. A letter from the Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that the President intends to exercise his authority to waive the prohibition on the use of Economic Support Funds for Barbados, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Ecuador, Kenya, Mali, Mexico, Namibia, Niger, Paraguay, Peru, Samoa, South Africa, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Tanzania, and Trinidad and Tobago, pursuant to Public Law 110-161, section 671 Div. J; jointly to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Appropriations.

211. A letter from the Program Manager ODRM, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Medicare Program; Changes to the Competitive Acquisition of Certain Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) by Certain Provisions of the Medicare Improvements for Patients Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA) [CMA-1561-IFC] (RIN: 0938-AP59) received January 15, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BOREN:

H.R. 611. A bill to provide for marginal well production preservation and enhancement; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, 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. JONES:

H.R. 612. A bill to amend section 1922A of title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of supplemental insurance available for totally disabled veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. JONES:

H.R. 613. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for forgiveness of certain overpayments of retired pay paid to deceased retired members of the Armed Forces following their death; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PENCE (for himself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. PITTS, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. COLE, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. TERRY, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. INGLIS, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mrs.

SCHMIDT, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. MCCAUL, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. BARTLETT, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. HERGER, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. AKIN, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. OLSON, Mr. KLINE of Minnesota, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. BARETT of South Carolina, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. HARPER, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Ms. FALLIN, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Ms. FOXX, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. LINDER, Mr. DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky, Mr. JORDAN of Ohio, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, and Mr. MCCLINTOCK):

H.R. 614. A bill to amend title X of the Public Health Service Act to prohibit family planning grants from being awarded to any entity that performs abortions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ACKERMAN (for himself, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. COHEN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. HARE, Mr. FILNER, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mr. MOORE of Kansas):

H.R. 615. A bill to amend the Federal Hazardous Substances Act to require engine coolant and antifreeze to contain a bittering agent so as to render it unpalatable; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BERRY (for himself, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. JONES, Mr. PAUL, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS, Mrs. EMERSON, and Mr. WEXLER):

H.R. 616. A bill to amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an exemption of pharmacies and pharmacists from certain Medicare accreditation requirements in the same manner as such exemption applies to certain professionals; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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 Mr. BOREN:

H.R. 617. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the taxable income limit on percentage depletion for oil and natural gas produced from marginal properties; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FATTAH (for himself, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. STARK, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. COOPER, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. POLIS of Colorado, Mr. KUCINICH, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. CARDOZA):

H.R. 618. A bill to require the President to call a White House Conference on Children and Youth in 2010; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas (for herself and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H.R. 619. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to remove the exclusion

from medical assistance under the Medicaid Program of items and services for patients in an institution for mental diseases; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. KING of New York:

H.R. 620. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an increased work opportunity credit with respect to recent veterans; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KINGSTON (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. WU, Mr. BARROW, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. WOLF, Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland, Mr. LEWIS of California, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, and Mr. DEAL of Georgia):

H.R. 621. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. MICHAUD (for himself, Mr. PLATTS, and Mr. GORDON of Tennessee):

H.R. 622. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the credit for renewable electricity production to include electricity produced from biomass for on-site use; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. REYES:

H.R. 623. A bill to provide for greater judicial discretion in sentencing for certain firearms offenses committed in exceptional circumstances; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THOMPSON of California:

H.R. 624. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to ensure air passengers have access to necessary services while on a grounded air carrier, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. WEINER (for himself, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, and Mr. GONZALEZ):

H.R. 625. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to require, as a condition of receiving a homeland security grant, that a grant recipient submit reports on each expenditure made using grant funds; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Ms. LEE of California (for herself, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. HONDA, and Mr. MEEKS of New York):

H. Con. Res. 24. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress on the need for a national AIDS strategy; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. LARSON of Connecticut:

H. Res. 74. A resolution electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. McNERNEY (for himself, Mr. BERMAN, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. CARDOZA, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. FARR, Mr. FILNER, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. SHERMAN, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. THOMPSON of California, and Mr. WAXMAN):

H. Res. 75. A resolution honoring Chesley B. "Sully" Sullenberger III and the crew of US Airways Flight 1549 for their heroism, calm under pressure, and dedication to the safety of passengers on board; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. BURTON of Indiana (for himself, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. MACK, Ms. ROSLEHTINEN, Mr. SIRES, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas,

Ms. LEE of California, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. BERMAN, and Mr. CROWLEY):

H. Res. 76. A resolution mourning the horrific loss of life in January 2009 caused by a landslide in Guatemala and an earthquake in Costa Rica and expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should assist the affected people and communities; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. WITTMAN:

H. Res. 77. A resolution congratulating the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, Virginia, for more than 100 years of service and leadership to the United States; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 13: Mr. CONYERS and Mr. MCGOVERN.
 H.R. 16: Ms. HERSETH SANDLIN.
 H.R. 17: Mr. MCCLINTOCK and Mr. ROGERS of Alabama.
 H.R. 31: Mr. FALCOMA, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. RUSH, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. PASCRELL and Ms. CASTOR of Florida.
 H.R. 85: Mr. LAMBORN.
 H.R. 104: Mr. WU and Mr. DEFAZIO.
 H.R. 106: Mr. SESTAK.
 H.R. 135: Mr. CALVERT.
 H.R. 147: Mr. FILNER, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, and Mr. GRIJALVA.
 H.R. 150: Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. BILBRAY, and Mrs. MYRICK.
 H.R. 154: Mr. BILBRAY.
 H.R. 155: Mr. BILBRAY.
 H.R. 156: Mr. HALL of New York, Mr. AUSTRIA, and Mr. FLEMING.
 H.R. 223: Mr. FARR, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. McNERNEY, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. ESHOO, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Mr. CARDOZA, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mrs. DAVIS of California, and Mr. FILNER.
 H.R. 225: Mr. KILDEE, Mr. TURNER, Mr. FARR, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, and Mr. SARBANES.
 H.R. 227: Mr. COLE and Mr. LUETKEMEYER.
 H.R. 253: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.
 H.R. 268: Mr. MCINTYRE.
 H.R. 290: Mr. STARK, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. WELCH.
 H.R. 291: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. STARK, Mr. HARE, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland, and Mr. WELCH.
 H.R. 292: Mr. BOSWELL.
 H.R. 307: Ms. HERSETH SANDLIN.
 H.R. 311: Mr. KLINE of Minnesota.
 H.R. 328: Mrs. LOWEY.
 H.R. 336: Mr. HARE, Ms. BORDALLO, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. FARR, and Mr. HINCHAY.
 H.R. 383: Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California.
 H.R. 385: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska and Mr. HOEKSTRA.
 H.R. 389: Mr. ELLISON.
 H.R. 450: Mr. BROUN of Georgia.
 H.R. 461: Mr. SESTAK.
 H.R. 464: Mrs. SCHMIDT, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. SMITH of Nebraska.
 H.R. 490: Mr. HOEKSTRA.
 H.R. 500: Mr. DENT, Mr. BARTLETT, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. PETRI, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mrs. BIGGERT, and Mr. GERLACH.
 H.R. 510: Mr. KAGEN and Mr. PETRI.
 H.R. 525: Mr. BRADY of Texas.
 H.R. 562: Mr. FARR.
 H.R. 569: Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. WEXLER, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. McDERMOTT.