

(RIN: 1018-AU67) received April 4, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1401. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Recovery and Delisting, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reclassification of the Okaloosa Darter from Endangered to Threatened and Special Rule [Docket No.: FWS-R4-ES-2008-0071] (RIN: 1018-AW95) received April 4, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1402. A letter from the Acting Chief, Branch of FS, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Threatened Status for the New Zealand-Australia Distinct Population Segment of the Southern Rockhopper Penguin [Docket No.: FWS-R9-IA-2008-0069; 92210-0-0010 B6] (RIN: 1018-AV73) received April 6, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1403. 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 Cod by Catcher Vessels Less Than 60 Feet (18.3 m) Length Overall Using Hook-and-Line or Pot Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No.: 101126521-6040-02] (RIN: 0648-XA279) received April 6, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1404. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring; Amendment 4 [Docket No.: 080513659-1114-03] (RIN: 0648-AW75) received April 7, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1405. 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; Pollock in the West Yakutat District of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No.: 101126522-0640-02] (RIN: 0648-XA276) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1406. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery Off the Southern Atlantic States; Amendment 17B; Correction [Docket No.: 0907271173-1137-04] (RIN: 0648-AY11) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1407. 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; Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Less Than 60 Feet (18.3 m) Length Overall Using Jig or Hook-and-Line Gear in the Bogoslof Pacific Cod Exemption Area in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No.: 101126521-0640-02] (RIN: 0648-XA271) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1408. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, Na-

tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pollock in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands [Docket No.: 101126521-0640-02] (RIN: 0648-XA262) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1409. 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 Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Trip Limit Reduction [Docket No.: 001005281-0369-02] (RIN: 0648-XA263) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1410. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries Off West Coast States; Coastal Pelagic Species Fisheries; Annual Specifications [Docket No.: 110111018-1095-02] (RIN: 0648-XA109) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1411. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; Hawaii-Based Shallow-set Longline Fishery; Court Order [Docket No.: 100826393-1171-01] (RIN: 0648-BA19) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1412. 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; Pollock in Statistical Area 630 in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No.: 101126522-0640-02] (RIN: 0648-XA277) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1413. 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 Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Closure [Docket No.: 040205043-4043-01] (RIN: 0648-XA228) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1414. A letter from the Director Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Closure [Docket No.: 040205043-4043-01] (RIN: 0648-XA229) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1415. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; American Fisheries Act; Recordkeeping and Reporting [Docket No.: 100413185-1155-02] (RIN: 0648-AY84) received March 28, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1416. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration,

transmitting the Administration's final rule — Small Business, Small Disadvantaged Business, HUBZone, and Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Status Protest and Appeal Regulations (RIN: 3245-AF65) received April 6, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Small Business.

1417. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Small Business Jobs Act: 504 Loan Program Debt Refinancing (RIN: 3245-AG17) received April 6, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Small Business.

1418. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Small Business Size Regulations; 8(a) Business Development/Small Disadvantaged Business Status Determinations (RIN: 3245-AF53) received April 6, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Small Business.

1419. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Capital expenditures; in general (Rev. Proc. 2011-27) received April 7, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1420. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Reduction of Foreign Tax Credit Limitation Categories under Section 904(d) [TD 9521] (RIN: 1545-BG54) received April 7, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1421. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Replacement of Schedule SSA with Form 8955-SSA (Announcement 2011-21) received April 7, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1422. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Capital expenditures; in general (Rev. Proc. 2011-28) received April 7, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1423. A letter from the Branch Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Occurring in March 2011 Designated as a Qualified Disaster under Sec. 139 of the Internal Revenue Code [Notice 2011-32] received April 7, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on 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. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 245. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1229) to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to facilitate the safe and timely production of American energy resources from the Gulf of Mexico, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1230) to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, and for other purposes (Rept. 112-73). Referred to the House Calendar.

#### 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. SULLIVAN (for himself, Mr. MATHESON, Mr. UPTON, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. WALDEN, Mr. LATTA, Mr. HARPER, Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. TERRY, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. CRITZ, Mr. POMPEO, Mr. ROSS of Arkansas, and Mr. COSTA):

H.R. 1705. A bill to require analyses of the cumulative and incremental impacts of certain rules and actions of the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on 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. DAVIS of Kentucky (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON of California):

H.R. 1706. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit against income tax to facilitate the accelerated development and deployment of advanced safety systems for commercial motor vehicles; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RUSH (for himself, Mr. BARTON of Texas, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.R. 1707. A bill to protect consumers by requiring reasonable security policies and procedures to protect data containing personal information, and to provide for nationwide notice in the event of a security breach; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. RIGELL:

H.R. 1708. A bill to prohibit the use of funds to support Operation Odyssey Dawn; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on 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 Ms. SLAUGHTER:

H.R. 1709. A bill to prevent and end the occurrence of sexual assaults involving members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BURGESS:

H.R. 1710. 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, Space, and Technology, 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. CARSON of Indiana:

H.R. 1711. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to require criminal background checks, inspections, and training of child care providers; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. CASSIDY (for himself, Mr. LANFORD, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. DENHAM, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. LANDRY, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. BOREN, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. SCHILLING, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. GUINTA, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. COLE, Mr. TERRY, Mr. FLORES, Mr. REHBERG, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, Mr. AUSTRIA, Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. OLSON, Mr. CRITZ, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. SCALISE, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. STUTZMAN, Mr. RICHMOND, and Mr. HARPER):

H.R. 1712. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt sales of natural gas for use in natural gas vehicles from the retail sales limitation on defining independent producers of petroleum products; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia (for himself and Mr. BLUMENAUER):

H.R. 1713. A bill to reduce Federal expenditures associated with data center real estate and electricity consumption, to implement savings reductions proposed by Federal employees, to reduce energy costs across Federal Executive agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, Transportation and Infrastructure, 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 Mr. DOLD (for himself and Mr. DEUTCH):

H.R. 1714. A bill to promote human rights and democracy in Iran; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, 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 Ms. FOXX (for herself, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. AKIN, and Mr. LAMBORN):

H.R. 1715. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to end speculation on the current cost of multilingual services provided by the Federal Government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. HOYER (for himself, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. KISSELL, Ms. NORTON, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mrs. MALONEY, Ms. RICHARDSON, Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey, Ms. MOORE, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. CRITZ, Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas, Mr. CARNAHAN, and Mr. HASTINGS of Florida):

H.R. 1716. A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to establish a pilot program to facilitate education and training programs in the field of advanced manufacturing; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. KAPTUR:

H.R. 1717. A bill to require that, in cases in which the annual trade deficit between the United States and another country is \$10,000,000,000 or more for 3 consecutive years, the President take the necessary steps to create a more balanced trading relationship with that country; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. LOWEY:

H.R. 1718. A bill to provide that service of the members of the organization known as the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during World War II constituted active military service for purposes of laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; 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 Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS (for herself, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. JONES, Mr. WALDEN, Mr. HERGER, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Mrs. LUMMIS, and Mr. BISHOP of Utah):

H.R. 1719. A bill to better inform consumers regarding costs associated with compliance for protecting endangered and

threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. OWENS (for himself and Mr. WELCH):

H.R. 1720. A bill to improve the H-2A agricultural worker program for use by dairy workers, sheepherders, and goat herders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PIERLUISI (for himself, Mr. FALBOMVAEGA, Ms. BORDALLO, and Mr. SRES):

H.R. 1721. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to increase the maximum amount that may be allotted to Puerto Rico under part A of title III; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. PINGREE of Maine (for herself, Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia, Mr. STARK, Mr. WELCH, and Mr. MCGOVERN):

H.R. 1722. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to create a local food credit program; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. POSEY (for himself, Mr. PAUL, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. ISSA, Mr. WEBSTER, Mr. JONES, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. PITTS, Mr. FLORES, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. BARTLETT, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, and Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 1723. A bill to permit certain current loans that would otherwise be treated as non-accrual loans as accrual loans for certain purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey:

H.R. 1724. A bill to provide for the provision by hospitals receiving Federal funds through the Medicare Program or Medicaid Program of emergency contraceptives to women who are survivors of sexual assault; 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. RUPPERSBERGER:

H.R. 1725. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make grants for the prevention of cruelty to animals to States that have enacted laws prohibiting the devocalization of dogs and cats for purposes of convenience; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. RUPPERSBERGER:

H.R. 1726. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to require criminal background checks for child care providers; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. RUPPERSBERGER:

H.R. 1727. A bill to strengthen certain provisions relating to arms export licenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. RUPPERSBERGER:

H.R. 1728. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the credit for employers establishing workplace child care facilities, to increase the child care credit to encourage greater use of quality child care services, to provide incentives for students to earn child care-related degrees and to work in child care facilities, and to increase the exclusion for employer-provided dependent care assistance; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RUPPERSBERGER:

H.R. 1729. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to authorize certain practitioners other than physicians to dispense

certain narcotic drugs in schedule III, IV, and V for maintenance treatment or detoxification treatment without obtaining annually a separate registration for that purpose; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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 Ms. SEWELL (for herself and Mr. LARSEN of Washington):

H.R. 1730. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish tax-preferred Small Business Start-up Savings Accounts; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. TSONGAS:

H.R. 1731. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to submit notifications to Congress with respect to the failure by the Secretary to comply with statutory body armor procurement budget information requirements; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Ms. SCHWARTZ, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. GARAMENDI, and Mr. POLIS):

H.R. 1732. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit for equity investments in high technology and biotechnology small business concerns developing innovative technologies that stimulate private sector job growth; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WHITFIELD (for himself, Mr. CHANDLER, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. PITTS):

H.R. 1733. A bill to amend the Interstate Horseracing Act of 1978 to prohibit the use of performance-enhancing drugs in horseracing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DENHAM:

H.R. 1734. A bill to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, selling, disposing, and improving the efficiency of federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, and Rules, 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. DINGELL:

H. Con. Res. 48. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the Secretary of the Navy should name a Littoral Combat Ship the U.S.S. Ypsilanti, in honor of Ypsilanti, Michigan; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PAYNE (for himself and Mr. FORTENBERRY):

H. Con. Res. 49. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day, and reaffirming United States leadership and support for efforts to combat malaria as a critical component of the President's Global Health Initiative; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mrs. LOWEY (for herself, Ms. BORDALLO, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, and Mrs. MALONEY):

H. Res. 246. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Celiac Awareness Month, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. MACK (for himself, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. BARTLETT, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. KLINE, and Mr. FRANKS of Arizona):

H. Res. 247. A resolution calling for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to be des-

ignated a state sponsor of terrorism for its support of Iran, Hezbollah, and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. OWENS:

H. Res. 248. A resolution honoring the members of the military and intelligence community who carried out the mission that killed Osama bin Laden, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select), 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. RUPPERSBERGER:

H. Res. 249. A resolution supporting K-12 geography education; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. RUPPERSBERGER:

H. Res. 250. A resolution congratulating and commending Free Comic Book Day as an enjoyable and creative approach to promoting literacy and celebrating a unique American art form; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. SCHOCK (for himself, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. CUELLAR, and Mr. MEEKS):

H. Res. 251. A resolution urging the President to expedite the submission of the United States - Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement to Congress; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. SULLIVAN:

H.R. 1705.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky:

H.R. 1706.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the United States Constitution and Amendment XVI of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. RUSH:

H.R. 1707.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3  
 "The Congress shall have Power "to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes."

By Mr. RIGELL:

H.R. 1708.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically clause 1 (relating to the power of Congress to provide for the general welfare of the United States) and clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress). In addition, the power of Congress to make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clauses 12, 13, and 14 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. SLAUGHTER:

H.R. 1709.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution (clauses 12, 13, 14, 16, and 18).

By Mr. BURGESS:

H.R. 1710.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The attached bill falls under Congress' authority to regulate interstate commerce pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. CARSON of Indiana:

H.R. 1711.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 7 of section 9 of article I of the Constitution, Clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution, and clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. CASSIDY:

H.R. 1712.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia:

H.R. 1713.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1

By Mr. DOLD:

H.R. 1714.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, clause 3, which provides Congress the power "to regulate commerce with foreign nations." This legislation authorizes sanctions with respect to the transfer of goods or technologies to Iran that may be used to commit human rights abuses. Additionally, the democracy promotion aspect of the legislation implicates the power to "provide for the common defense" under Article 1, Section 8, clause 1.

By Ms. FOXX:

H.R. 1715.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 7 of Section 9 of Article 1 of the Constitution which states "No money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in consequence of appropriations made by Law; and a regular statement and account of receipts and expenditures of all public money shall be published from time to time."

By Mr. HOYER:

H.R. 1716.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Congress has the power to enact the Job Opportunities Between our Shores Act pursuant to Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution of the United States.

By Ms. KAPTUR:

H.R. 1717.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8.  
 More specifically,  
 Clause. 1. of Section. 8. of Article. I.;  
 Clause. 3. of Section. 8. of Article. I.; and  
 Clause. 18. of. Section. 8. of Article I.

By Mrs. LOWEY:

H.R. 1718.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I of the Constitution

By Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS:

H.R. 1719.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Constitutional authority in which this bill rests is the power of the Congress to regulate commerce and provide for the general