

H.R. 5901. To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to authorize the tax court to appoint employees.

H.R. 2142. To require quarterly performance assessments of Government programs for purposes of assessing agency performance and improvement, and to establish agency performance improvement officers and the Performance Improvement Council.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on Department of Defense counter-terrorism activities, pursuant to Public Law 111-84, section 1022; to the Committee on Armed Services.

2. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Foreign Participation in Acquisitions in Support of Operations in Afghanistan (DFARS Case 2009-D012) (RIN: 0750-AG80) received January 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

3. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Minority and Women Inclusion (RIN: 2590-AA28) received January 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Portfolio Holdings (RIN: 2590-AA22) received January 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

5. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Federal Home Loan Bank Housing Goals (RIN: 2590-AA16) received January 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report to Congress on Preventive and Obesity-Related Services Available to Medicaid Enrollees, pursuant to Public Law 111-148, section 4004(i); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicaid Program; Final FY 2009 and Preliminary FY 2011 Disproportionate Share Hospital Allotments, and Final FY 2009 and Preliminary FY 2011 Institutions for Mental Diseases Disproportionate Share Hospital Limits [CMS-2321-N] (RIN: 0938-AQ44) received December 30, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report to Congress on activities related to the regulation of free samples of tobacco products; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

9. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations, (Pacific Junction, Iowa) [MB Docket No.: 10-108] received January 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

10. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), and pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Western Balkans that was declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

11. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-108, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

12. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Publicly Available Mass Market Encryption Software and Other Specified Publicly Available Encryption Software in Object Code [Docket No.: 100108014-0121-01] (RIN: 0694-AE82) received January 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

13. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's annual report on foreign military or defense ministry civilian involvement in the International Military Education and Training (IMET) program, pursuant to Section 549 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

14. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-120, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

15. A letter from the Inspector General, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a report to Congress entitled "Significant Problems Still Exist With Internal Revenue Service Efforts to Identify Prisoner Tax Refund Fraud", pursuant to Public Law 110-428; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

16. A letter from the Senior Procurement Executive, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-48; Introduction [Docket: FAR 2010-0076, Sequence 10] received January 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

17. A letter from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2010, pursuant to Public Law 106-531; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

18. A letter from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period April 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act), section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

19. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting annual report pursuant to the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act, pursuant to Public Law 111-84, section 587; to the Committee on House Administration.

20. A letter from the Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives, transmitting List of reports pursuant to Clause 2(b), Rule II of the Rules of the House of Representatives, pursuant to Rule II, clause 2(b), of the Rules of the House; (H. Doc. No. 112-4); to the Committee

on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

21. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Non-discrimination on the Basis of Disability in State and Local Government Services [CRT Docket No.: 105; AG Order No. 3180-2010] (RIN: 1190-AA46) received December 30, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

22. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Visas: Waiver for Ineligible Nonimmigrants under INA 212(d)(3)(A), As Amended; Applicants Ineligible Under INA 212(a)(3)(E)(iii) [Public Notice:] received January 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

23. A letter from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting a letter on the adequacy of the rules prescribed by the Supreme Court to protect privacy and address security concerns relating to electronically filed documents in the federal courts, pursuant to Public Law 107-347, section 205(c)(3)(C); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

24. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's annual report for fiscal year 2009 on the activities of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 81p(c); 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:

[The following actions occurred on December 30, 2010]

Mr. FILNER: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Activities Report of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 111th Congress (Rept. 111-697). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. GORDON of Tennessee: Committee on Science and Technology. Summary of Activities of the Committee on Science and Technology for the 111th Congress (Rept. 111-698). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi: Committee on Homeland Security. Report on Legislative and Oversight Activities of the House Committee on Homeland Security for the 111th Congress (Rept. 111-699). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

[The following actions occurred on January 3, 2011]

Mr. OBEY: Committee on Appropriations. Report on Activities of the Committee on Appropriations, 111th Congress (Rept. 111-700). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. Report on Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Natural Resources During the 111th Congress (Rept. 111-701). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts: Committee on Financial Services. Report on the Activity of the Committee on Financial Services for the 111th Congress (Rept. 111-702). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. PETERSON: Committee on Agriculture. Report of the Committee on Agriculture on Activities During the 111th Congress (Rept. 111-703). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SPRATT: Committee on the Budget, Activities and Summary Report of the Committee on the Budget, 111th Congress (Rept. 111-704). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. TOWNS: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. Activities of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform for the 111th Congress (Rept. 111-705). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. WAXMAN: Committee on Energy and Commerce. Report on the Activity of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 111th Congress (Rept. 111-706). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California: Committee on Standards of Official Conduct. Summary of Activities of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct for the 111th Congress (Rept. 111-707). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. LEVIN: Committee on Ways and Means. Report on the Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Ways and Means During the 111th Congress. (Rept. 111-708). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. MARKEY of Massachusetts: Final Staff Report for the 111th Congress from the Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming (Rept. 111-709). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SKELTON: Committee on Armed Services. Report of the Activities of the Committee on Armed Services for the 111th Congress (Rept. 111-710). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. OBERSTAR: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. Summary of Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for the 111th Congress (Rept. 111-711). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

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. CANTOR (for himself, Mr. CAMP, Mr. KLINE, Mr. UPTON, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. GRAVES of Missouri, Mr. MCCARTHY of California, Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. PRICE of Georgia, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. CARTER, Mr. WALDEN, Mr. DREIER, Mrs. ADAMS, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. AKIN, Mr. AMASH, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BARTLETT, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. BENISHEK, Mr. BERG, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mrs. BLACK, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BONNER, Mrs. BONO MACK, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. BUCSHON, Ms. BUERKLE, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. COBLE, Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado, Mr. COLE, Mr. CRAVAACK, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky, Mr. DENHAM, Mr. DENT,

Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Mrs. ELLMERS, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. FLORES, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. GARRETT, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mr. GOODLATTE, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. GRAVES of Georgia, Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia, Mr. GRIMM, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mr. HARPER, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HUELSKAMP, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, Mr. HURT, Ms. JENKINS, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, Mr. JONES, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois, Mr. LABRADOR, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. LANCE, Mr. LANDRY, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. LATTA, Mr. LEE of New York, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. LUTKEMEYER, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. MACK, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. MARINO, Mr. MCKEON, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. NUGENT, Mr. NUNNELEE, Mr. OLSON, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. PENCE, Mr. PETRI, Mr. PITTS, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. POMPEO, Mr. POSEY, Mr. REHBERG, Mr. RENACCI, Mr. RIVERA, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. ROSS of Florida, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. SCALISE, Mrs. SCHMIDT, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. TERRY, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. TIBERI, Mr. TURNER, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. WEST, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. WOODALL, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. ISSA, Mr. MULVANEY, and Ms. HAYWORTH):

H.R. 2. A bill to repeal the job-killing health care law and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Ways and Means, the Judiciary, Natural Resources, Rules, House Administration, and Appropriations, 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. GARRETT (for himself, Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. SIMPSON, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. JONES, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Mr. BARTLETT, Mr. MCKINLEY, Ms. HAYWORTH, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. POSEY, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. NUGENT, Mr. REHBERG, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. PETRI, Mr. DENT, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. TERRY, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, and Mr. LAMBORN):

H.R. 21. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the mandate that individuals purchase health insurance; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. SPEIER (for herself, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. STARK, Mr. HONDA, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. THOMPSON of California, and Mr. GARAMENDI):

H.R. 22. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to enhance pipeline safety, to provide communities with access to improved information concerning the equipment and operations of pipeline facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. FILNER:

H.R. 23. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Merchant Mariner Equity Compensation Fund to provide benefits to certain individuals who served in the United States merchant marine (including the Army Transport Service and the Naval Transport Service) during World War II; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. JONES:

H.R. 24. A bill to redesignate the Department of the Navy as the Department of the Navy and Marine Corps; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. WOODALL (for himself, Mr. PRICE of Georgia, Mr. BOREN, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. AKIN, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. CARTER, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Ms. FOX, Mr. MCCAUL, Mr. OLSON, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mr. BARTLETT, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. GRAVES of Georgia, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. STUTZMAN, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. LONG, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. ROSS of Florida, Mr. ISSA, Mr. BROOKS, Mr. NUGENT, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. PENCE, Mrs. ADAMS, Mr. MICA, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. POMPEO, and Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California):

H.R. 25. A bill to promote freedom, fairness, and economic opportunity by repealing the income tax and other taxes, abolishing the Internal Revenue Service, and enacting a national sales tax to be administered primarily by the States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. SPEIER:

H.R. 26. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to adopt a program of professional and confidential screenings to detect mental health injuries acquired during deployment in support of a contingency operation and ultimately to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans; 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 Mr. MCINTYRE (for himself, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. SERRANO, and Ms. DEGETTE):

H.R. 27. A bill to provide for the recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. MCINTYRE:

H.R. 28. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the outreach activities of the Department of Veterans Affairs,