By Mr. STUTZMAN:

H.R. 2302. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to notify Congress of conferences sponsored by the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. WATERS (for herself, Mr. COHEN, Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. SCHA-KOWSKY, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. Frank of Massachusetts, and Mr. Filner):

H.R. 2303. A bill to concentrate Federal resources aimed at the prosecution of drug offenses on those offenses that are major; to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. WITTMAN (for himself, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. Ross of Arkansas, Mr. LATTA, Mr. SHULER, Mr. LANDRY, Mr. SOUTHERLAND, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. BOREN, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. GUINTA, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. BONNER, Mr. RIGELL, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina and Mr. HARRIS):

lina, and Mr. HARRIS):
H.R. 2304. A bill to amend the MagnusonStevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act of 2006 to provide
the necessary scientific information to properly implement annual catch limits, and for
other purposes; to the Committee on Natural
Resources.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida:

H.J. Res. 68. A joint resolution authorizing the limited use of the United States Armed Forces in support of the NATO mission in Libya; to the Committee on Foreign 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. MALONEY (for herself, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. Rangel, Mr. Sarbanes, Mr. An-DREWS, Mr. BACA, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. Bass of California, Mr. Bishop of New York, Ms. Brown of Florida, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. Clarke of Michigan, Ms. Clarke of New York, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. COHEN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COOPER, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. DAVIS of California. Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DICKS, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. FARR, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. GRI-JALVA, Ms. HANABUSA, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. HINOJOSA, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HOLT, Mr. Honda, Mr. Inslee, Ms. Jackson LEE of Texas, Ms. Eddie Bernice JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. McCollum, Mr. McDermott, Mr. McGovern, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Mr. NADLER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAS-CRELL, Mr. Polis, Mr. Reyes, Ms. RICHARDSON, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. RUP-PERSBERGER, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ OF California, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Ms. Sewell, Mr. Stark, Ms. Sut-TON, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. Tonko, Ms. Tsongas, Mr. Watt, WELCH, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. Woolsey, Mr. Ackerman, Mr. BECERRA, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. BERMAN,

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. BLU-MENAUER, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, Mrs. Capps, Mr. Capuano, Mr. Car-DOZA, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. CHU, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia, Mr. Costa, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. CUM-MINGS, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Ms. Fudge, Mr. Garamendi, Mr. Al GREEN of Texas, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. Gutierrez, Mr. Hastings of Florida, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. HIMES, Ms. HOCHUL, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. Jackson of Illinois, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. KEATING, Mr. KIND, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. Larsen of Washington, Mr. Lar-SON of Connecticut, Mr. LOEBSACK, Ms. Zoe Lofgren of California, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. MATSUI, Mrs. McCARTHY of New York, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Ms. Moore, Mr. Moran, Mr. Murphy of Connecticut, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PASTOR of Arizona, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. PETERS, Mr. PETERSON, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey, Ms. ROYBAL-Allard, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, SCHIFF, Ms. SCHWARTZ, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. Smith of Washington, Ms. Speier, Mr. Thompson of California, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. Wu, and Mr. YAR-MUTH).

H.J. Res. 69. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LARSON of Connecticut:

H. Res. 321. A resolution Electing a Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania (for himself and Mr. GERLACH):

H. Res. 322. A resolution recognizing the National Center for the American Revolution for its role in telling the story of the American Revolution and its continuing impact on struggles for freedom, self-government, and the rule of law throughout the world and encouraging the Center in its efforts to build a new Museum of the American Revolution; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. DAVIS of Illinois:

H. Res. 323. A resolution observing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. HONDA (for himself, Ms. McCollum, Mr. COHEN, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. FILNER, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. NADLER, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. MORAN, Mr. PLATTS, and Mrs. DAVIS of California):

H. Res. 324. A resolution welcoming and commending the Government of Japan for extending an official apology to all United States former prisoners of war from the Pacific War and moving forward in planning to invite surviving members to Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. LATOURETTE:

H. Res. 325. A resolution congratulating Hungary on the series of events commemorating the centennial anniversary of former U.S. President Ronald Reagan and welcoming the establishment of the Hungarian Freedom Dinner and the Hungarian Freedom

Award to celebrate the lasting idea of freedom and the principle of responsible liberty cherished by Hungary and the United States alike; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. WATERS:

H. Res. 326. A resolution honoring Bishop Noel Jones for his 17 years of service to the City of Refuge Church; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

## MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of Rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

67. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of Michigan, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 7 urging the Department of Energy and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to establish a permanent repository for high-level nuclear waste; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

68. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of California, relative to Senate Joint Resolution 5 that recognizes every Sunday, so long as it does not conflict with person beliefs, as "Cooking with Kids Day"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

69. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of New Hampshire, relative to Senate Resolution 10 declaring that the death of Osama bin Laden represents a measure of justice and relief for the families and friends of the nearly 3,000 people who lost their lives on September 11, 2001; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Intelligence (Permanent Select).

70. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Michigan, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6 urging the Congress to adopt legislation prohibiting the EPA from unilaterally regulating greenhouse gas emissions; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure.

## 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 Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas:

H.R. 2269.

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

Article I, section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN:

H.R. 2270.

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

Article 1, Section 8.

By Mr. ROYCE:

H.R. 2271.

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

"Article 1, section 8, clauses 3 and 18 of the Constitution."

By Mr. YARMUTH:

H.R. 2272.

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

Clause 3 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the Constitution.

By Mr. McKINLEY:

H B. 2273

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

According to Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the Constitution: The Congress shall have power to enact this legislation to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 2274.

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

Article I. section 8 of the United States Constitution (clauses 12, 13, 14, and 16), which grants Congress the power to raise and support an Army; to provide and maintain a Navy; to make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces; and to provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining the militia.

By Mr. PRICE of North Carolina: H.R. 2275.

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

Congress has the power to enact this legislation under Article I, Section 8, clause 3 of the United States Constitution, "to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States and with the Indian Tribes." This authority is consistent with the bill's goal of promoting growth, innovation and research in the United States textile and fiber products industry.

By Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ: H.R. 2276.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. DOGGETT:

H B. 2277

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

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution that grants Congress the authority, "To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the forgoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Mr. ROONEY:

H.R. 2278.

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

Article I, section 8, clauses 11 through 13, relating to Congress' authority to declare war, raise and support armies, and provide and maintain a Navy, respectively.

By Mr. MICA:

H.R. 2279.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically Clause 1, Clause 3, and Clause 18.

By Mr. CICILLINE:

H.R. 2280.

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

Article I, Section 8.

By Ms. ESHOO:

H.R. 2281.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper.

Article IV, Section 3: ". . . Congress shall have the power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the ... property belonging to the United States."

By Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA:

 $H.R.\ \bar{2}282.$ 

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

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2-The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to Prejudice any Claims of the United States, or of any particular State.

By Mr. GOHMERT:

H.R. 2283.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article I, Section 8, Clause 1.

"The Congress shall have Power to . . provide for the common Defense and general Welfare a the United States .

Article I, Section 8, Clause 11.

"The Congress shall have power . . . To declare War, grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water."

Article I, Section 8, Clause 12.

"The Congress shall have power . . . To raise and support Armies .

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18.

"Congress shall have the power . . . [t]o make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution . other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States.

By Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas:

H.R. 2284.

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

The Commerce Clause (Art. I, §8, cl. 3) of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida:

H.R. 2285.

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

Section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. HERGER:

H.R. 2286.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1.

By Ms. KAPTUR:

H.R. 2287.

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

Article I. Section 8. Clause 3. and Article I. Section 8. Clause 18.

By Mr. LARSON of Connecticut:

H R. 2288

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

Article I. Section 8. Clause 14

To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces.

By Mr. LATTA:

H.R. 2289.

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

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

By Mrs. LOWEY:

H.R. 2290.

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

Article I

By Mrs. LOWEY:

H R. 2291

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

Article I

By Mrs. LOWEY:

H.R. 2292.

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

Article I

By Mrs. LOWEY:

H.R. 2293.

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

Article I

By Mrs. LOWEY:

H R. 2294

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

Article I

By Mr. McKEON:

H.R. 2295.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution, which states "The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts, and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States:

By Mr. MICHAUD:

H.R. 2296.

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

The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Clause 3 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 2297.

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

Clause 17 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. REYES:

H.R. 2298.

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

The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

Text:

Article I, Section 8.

Clause 1: The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States: but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States:

Clause 2: To borrow Money on the credit of the United States;

Clause 3: To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes:

Clause 4: To establish an uniform Rule of Naturalization, and uniform Laws on the subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States;

Clause 5: To coin Money, regulate the Value thereof, and of foreign Coin, and fix the Standard of Weights and Measures;

Clause 6: To provide for the Punishment of counterfeiting the Securities and current Coin of the United States;

Clause 7: To establish Post Offices and post Roads;

Clause 8: To promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings

and Discoveries; Clause 9: To constitute Tribunals inferior to the supreme Court;

Clause 10: To define and punish Piracies and Felonies committed on the high Seas.

and Offences against the Law of Nations; Clause 11: To declare War, grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water:

Clause 12: To raise and support Armies, but no Appropriation of Money to that Use shall be for a longer Term than two Years;

Clause 13: To provide and maintain a Navy; Clause 14: To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces:

Clause 15: To provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, suppress Insurrections and repel Invasions;

Clause 16: To provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining, the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States, reserving to the States respectively, the Appointment of the Officers, and the Authority of training the Militia according to the discipline prescribed by Congress: