Resolution of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-243), the Authorization for the Use of Force Against Iraq Resolution (Pub. L. 102-1), and in order to keep the Congress fully informed, a report prepared by the Department of State for the August 21, 2011 — October 20, 2011 reporting period including matters relating to post-liberation Iraq under Section 7 of the Iraq Liberation Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-338); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4709. A letter from the Assistant Legal Advisor for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting report prepared by the Department of State concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4710. 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 risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation that was declared in Executive Order 13159 of June 21, 2000; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4711. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting a report justifying the reasons for the extension of locality-based comparability payments to categories of positions that are in more than one executive agency, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5304(h)(2)(C); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4712. A letter from the Chair, Cost Accounting Standards Board, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the Office's final rule — Cost Accounting Standards: Cost Accounting Standards 412 and 413 — Cost Accounting Standards Pension Harmonization Rule received January 6, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4713. A letter from the Chair, Cost Accounting Standards Board, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the Office's final rule — Cost Accounting Standards: Change to the CAS Applicability Threshold for the Inflation Adjustment to the Truth in Negotiations Act Threshold received January 6, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4714. A letter from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's report for fiscal year 2011 on competitive sourcing efforts as required by Section 647(b) of Division F of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004, Pub. L. 108-199; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4715. A letter from the Chief, Division of Management Authority, International Affairs Program, Department of Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of the Regulation that Excludes U.S. Captive-Bred Scimitar-Horned Oryx, Addax, and Dama Gazelle from Certain Prohibitions [Docket No.: FWS-R9-IA-2010-0056] (RIN: 1018-AX29) received January 6, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources

4716. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting a report on the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act Usage of Act's Antitrust Laws Exemption: to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4717. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the

fourth of five reports required by Section 1201(c) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) detailing the Department's progress; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4718. A letter from the Senior Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Pilot, Flight Instructor, and Pilot School Certification; Technical Amendment [Docket No.: FAA-2006-26661; Amdt. No. 61-129] (RIN: 2120-AI86) received January 3, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4719. A letter from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Hazardous Materials Safety, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Hazardous Materials: Miscellaneous Amendments; Response to Appeals; Corrections [Docket No.: PHMSA-2009-0151(HM-218F)] (RIN: 2137-AE84) received January 3, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4720. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a semi-annual report to Congress on the continued compliance of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Moldova, the Russian Federation, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan with the Trade Act's freedom of emigration provisions, as required under the Jackson-Vanik Amendment, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2432(c) and (d); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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 Ms. HIRONO:

H.R. 3824. A bill to ensure that the Federal Aviation Administration addresses fatigue issues of flight attendants; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. POMPEO (for himself, Ms. Jen-KINS, Mr. YODER, and Mr. HUELSKAMP):

H.R. 3825. A bill to authorize the use of multifamily housing subject to a mortgage insured under section 207 of the National Housing Act as work force residential housing; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. COURTNEY (for himself, Mr. PETERS, Mr. REYES, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, Mr. STARK, Mr. CLARKE of Michigan, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Ms. NORTON):

H.R. 3826. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. GUTHRIE (for himself, Mr. Benishek, Mr. Rogers of Michigan, Mrs. McMorris Rodgers, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Mr. BARTON of Texas):

H.R. 3827. A bill to repeal the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research program and comparative effectiveness research funding; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Appropriations, the Budget, 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. HUELSKAMP (for himself, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. HULTGREN, Mr. JOHN-SON of Ohio, Mr. CANSECO, Mr. NUNNELEE, Mr. AKIN, Mr. WESTMORE- LAND, Mr. LATTA, Mr. JONES, and Mr. KING of Iowa):

H.R. 3828. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require that implementation of the repeal of the former Department of Defense policy concerning homosexual behavior in the Armed Forces not infringe upon the free exercise of religion by and the rights of conscience of members of the Armed Forces, including chaplains, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. MOORE (for herself, Mr. Ellison, Mr. Payne, Ms. Slaughter, and Ms. Schakowsky):

H.R. 3829. A bill to require a criminal background check for employees of child care providers, family child care providers, and adults who reside in the private residences of family child care providers in States that receive funds from the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ROHRABACHER:

H.R. 3830. A bill to restrict the provision of defense articles and defense services to the Government of Iraq, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. TERRY (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON of California):

H.R. 3831. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the recognition of attending physician assistants as attending physicians to serve hospice patients; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. THORNBERRY:

H.R. 3832. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the equalization of the excise tax on liquefied natural gas and per energy equivalent of diesel; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut (for himself, Mr. DREIER, Mr. CARNAHAN, and Mr. PRICE of North Carolina):

H. Res. 527. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding Tunisia's peaceful Jasmine Revolution; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. HUNTER (for himself, Mr. MUR-PHY of Pennsylvania, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. Austria, Mr. Bachus, Mr. Barletta, Ms. Herrera Beutler, Mrs. Biggert, Mr. Bilbray, Mr. Bon-NER. Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CANSECO. Mr. CARTER, Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado, Mr. Cole, Mr. Conaway, Mr. CRAVAACK, Mr. DENHAM, Mr. DENT, Mr. DOLD, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. FLORES, Mr. Forbes, Mr. Franks of Arizona, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. GERLACH, Mr. GIB-SON, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, Mr. Griffith of Virginia, Mr. GRIMM, Mr. GUTHRIE, Ms. HANABUSA, HARPER, Mr. Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. HECK, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, Mr. Hultgren, Mr. Hurt, Mr. Johnson of Ohio, Mr. Kelly, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois, Mr. Kline, Mr. Labrador, Mr. Lance, Mr. Langevin, Mr. Latham, LEWIS of California, Mr. Long, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. McCaul. Mr. Mr. McGovern, McCotter. McKinley, Mrs. McMorris Rodgers, Mr. Neugebauer, Mr. Nugent, Mr. NUNNELEE, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. PITTS, Mr. PRICE of Georgia, Mr. RIBBLE,

Mr. Rogers of Kentucky, Mr. Roo-NEY, Mr. RUNYAN, Mr. RUPPERS-BERGER, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. SCHIL-LING, Mrs. SCHMIDT, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. Stearns, Mr. Stiv-ERS, Mr. TERRY, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. TURNER of New York, Mr. WEST, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. WOLF, Mr. Young of Florida, Mr. Young of Alaska, Mr. Young of Indiana, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, and Mr. TURNER of Ohio):

H. Res. 528. A resolution honoring the service and sacrifice of the members of the United States Armed Forces in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation New Dawn; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ROHRABACHER (for himself, Mr. Gohmert, and Mr. King of Iowa):
H. Res. 529. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should not consider releasing Taliban prisoners, Abdul Haq Wasiq, Mullah Norullah Noori, Mullah Mohammed Fazl, and Mullah Khairullah Khairkhwa, from prison in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, until Mullah Muhammed Omar has been turned over to United States custody; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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. HIRONO:

H.R. 3824.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. POMPEO:

H.R. 3825.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1.

By Mr. COURTNEY:

H.R. 3826.

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. GUTHRIE:

H.R. 3827.

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

Article I, Section 8, Section 3

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

By Mr. HUELSKAMP:

H.R. 3828.

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

This legislation is introduced under the authority of Article 1, Section 8, Clause 14, which grants Congress the power to "make Rules for the Government and Regulation of land and naval Forces,"; Article 1, Section 8, Clause 16, which grants Congress the power to "provide for the organizing, arming, and disciplining, the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the

Service of the United States"; and the "free exercise" clause of the First Amendment to the Constitution, which ensures the right to freely exercise one's religion.

By Ms. MOORE:

H.R. 3829.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. ROHRABACHER:

H.R. 3830.

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

This bill follows the Constitutional prerogatives of Congress under Article I, Section 8, pertaining to the clauses to "to regulate commerce with foreign nations."

By Mr. TERRY:

H.R. 3831.

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

Commerce Clause: Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. THORNBERRY:

H.R. 3832.

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

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

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 21: Mrs. Capito.

H.R. 104: Mr. Johnson of Illinois, Mr. Ruppersberger, and Mr. Sessions.

H.R. 121: Mrs. Black.

H.R. 124: Mrs. Black. H.R. 190: Mr. Carson of Indiana.

H.R. 555: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.

H.R. 640: Mr. McCotter.

H.R. 680: Mrs. CAPITO. H.R. 729: Ms. HAHN.

H.R. 750: Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois.

H.R. 782: Mrs. CAPITO.

H.R. 951: Mrs. Capito.

 $\ensuremath{\mathrm{H.R.}}$ 1057: Mr. Cohen and Ms. Wilson of Florida.

H.R. 1058: Mr. HECK.

H.R. 1085: Ms. HAHN.

 $\rm H.R.~1148;~Mr.~Pierluisi,~Ms.~Chu,~and~Mr.~Crawford.$

H.R. 1179: Mr. CRITZ.

H.R. 1206: Mr. REED, Mrs. ADAMS, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Mr. LANDRY, Mr. PEARCE, and Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania.

PEARCE, and Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. H.R. 1288: Ms. PINGREE of Maine and Mr. KEATING.

H.R. 1612: Ms. BALDWIN.

H.R. 1648: Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. CONYERS.

H.R. 1697: Mr. BROUN of Georgia.

H.R. 1704: Mr. DEFAZIO.

H.R. 1712: Mr. CARTER.

H.R. 1739: Mr. Снавот.

H.R. 1822: Mrs. Capito. H.R. 1873: Mr. Cicilline.

H.R. 1897: Mr. TOWNS, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. CRITZ, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. WELCH.

 $\rm H.R.~1903;~Mr.~LEWIS~of~Georgia,~and~Mr.~CLARKE~of~Michigan.$

H.R. 1988: Mr. Connolly of Virginia, Mr. Sires, Mr. Pascrell, Mr. Rothman of New Jersey, Mrs. McCarthy of New York, Mr. Brady of Pennsylvania, Mr. Fattah, Mr. Critz, Mr. Carson of Indiana, Mr. Hastings of Florida, Mr. Courtney, Mr. Holt, Mr. Rangel, Mr. Keating, Ms. Kaptur, and Mr. Kind.

H.R. 2052: Mr. NUGENT.

H.R. 2082: Mr. STIVERS.

H.R. 2086: Mr. Jackson of Illinois.

H.R. 2179: Ms. Bordallo.

H.R. 2187: Mr. KEATING.

H.R. 2238: Mr. McIntyre.

H.R. 2245: Mr. ALTMIRE. H.R. 2376: Mr. Frank of Massachusetts.

H.R. 2412: Mr. Thompson of California.

H.R. 2444: Mr. HEINRICH.

H.R. 2514: Mr. Fleischmann.

H.R. 2536: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.

H.R. 2557: Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania and Mr. GERLACH.

H.R. 2625: Mrs. Lowey.

H.R. 2657: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.

H.R. 2772: Mr. RIVERA.

H.R. 2880: Mrs. LOWEY.

H.R. 2955: Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 2966: Mr. Towns, Mr. Heinrich, Mr. Larsen of Washington, Ms. Sutton, Mr. Fattah, and Ms. Kaptur.

H.R. 2985: Mr. KEATING.

H.R. 3059: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.

H.R. 3204: Mr. ROKITA.

H.R. 3208: Mr. ROKITA.

H.R. 3209: Mr. ROKITA.

 $\rm H.R.~3276;~Mr.~MICA,~Mr.~MILLER~of~Florida,$ and Mr. Crenshaw.

H.R. 3307: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois.

H.R. 3314: Mr. Frank of Massachusetts.

H.R. 3315: Mr. SMITH of Washington and Mr. POLIS.

H.R. 3337: Mr. Turner of Ohio, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. Ryan of Ohio, Mr. Critz, and Mr. Johnson of Georgia.

H.R. 3353: Ms. Schakowsky and Mr. Con-NOLLY of Virginia.

H.R. 3401: Mr. Franks of Arizona.

H.R. 3409: Mrs. CAPITO.

H.R. 3432: Mr. MORAN.

H.R. 3455: Mr. Crawford.

H.R. 3461: Ms. Granger, Mr. Amodei, Mr. Fleischmann, and Mr. Meehan.

H.R. 3483: Mr. Clay, Mr. Cleaver, Mr. Rangel, Ms. Wilson of Florida, Ms. Sewell, Ms. Hanabusa, Mr. Clyburn, Mr. Thompson of Mississippi, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Miller of North Carolina, Mr. Carson of Indiana, Ms. Clarke of New York, Ms. Moore, Mr. Rush, Ms. Velázquez, Mr. Payne, Ms. Richardson, Mr. Meeks, and Mr. Price of North Carolina.

H.R. 3490: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. H.R. 3515: Mr. McDermott and Ms

SLAUGHTER. H.R. 3521: Mr. CUELLAR.

H.R. 3521: Mr. CUELLAR. H.R. 3523: Mr. WOLF and Mr. FORBES.

H.R. 3533: Ms. Jackson Lee of Texas.

H.R. 3542: Mr. Johnson of Georgia.

H.R. 3545: Mr. ROONEY and Mr. LONG.

 $\rm H.R.$ 3548: Mr. Roskam, Mr. Poe of Texas, and Mr. Canseco.

H.R. 3571: Ms. PINGREE of Maine.

H.R. 3583: Mr. MANZULLO.

H.R. 3609: Mr. MANZULLO.

H.R. 3612: Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, and Mr. HIMES.

H.R. 3623: Mr. Johnson of Ohio.

H.R. 3625: Mrs. CAPPS.

H.R. 3638: Mr. COHEN and Ms. HAHN.

H.R. 3643: Mrs. BLACK.

H.R. 3681: Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California.

H.R. 3687: Mr. FILNER, Mr. BENISHEK, and Mr. REYES.

H.R. 3695: Mr. Ellison.

H.R. 3702: Mr. BISHOP of New York.

H.R. 3737: Mr. Benishek.

H.R. 3762: Ms. SLAUGHTER. H.R. 3770: Mrs. Roby.

H.R. 3778: Mr. BISHOP of Utah and Mr. WESTMORELAND.

H.R. 3783: Mr. Issa, Mr. Conaway, Mr. Long, Mr. King of New York, Mr. Young of Indiana, and Mr. Wolf.

H.R. 3794: Mr. BUCSHON.

H.R. 3802: Mr. GOWDY, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, and Ms. BORDALLO.

H.R. 3805: Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, and Mr. LATTA.