

6025. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Ann E. Rondeau, United States Navy, and her advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

6026. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Asian Longhorned Beetle; Additions to Quarantined Areas in Massachusetts [Docket No.: APHS-2010-0128] received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6027. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Final Flood Elevations Determinations [Docket ID: FEMA-2012-0003] received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6028. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's "Major" final rule — Further Definition of "Swap Dealer", "Security-Based Swap Dealer", "Major Swap Participant", "Major Security-Based Swap Participant" and "Eligible Contract Participant" [Release No.: 34-66868; File No. S7-39-10] (RIN: 3235-AK65) received April 30, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6029. A letter from the Executive Director, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting the Fiscal Year 2011 Annual Report; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6030. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicaid Program; Community First Choice Option [CMS-2337-F] (RIN: 0398-AQ35) received May 1, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6031. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a proposal for the reauthorization for the Medical Device User Fee Act (MDUFA); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6032. A letter from the Associate Bureau Chief for Cybersecurity and Communications Reliability, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — The Proposed Extension of Part 4 of the Connected Voice Over Internet Protocol Service Providers and Broadband Internet Service Providers [PS Docket No. 11-82] received April 16, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6033. A letter from the Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — In the Matter of Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support; Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link-Up; Universal Service Reform — Mobility Fund [WC Docket No. 10-90, GN Docket No. 09-51, WC Docket No. 07-135, WC Docket No. 05-337, CC Docket No. 01-92, CC Docket No. 96-45, WC Docket No. 03-109, WT Docket No. 10-208] April 19, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6034. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report for the period January 16, 2011 to January 15, 2012 on the activities of the Multinational Force and Observers (MFO) and U.S. participation in

that organization; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6035. A letter from the Presiding Governor, Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting the Broadcasting Board of Governors' 2011 Annual Report, pursuant to Section 305(a)(9) of the U.S. International Broadcasting Act of 1994, Pub. L. 103-236, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 6204; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6036. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's annual report for Fiscal Year 2011 prepared in accordance with Section 203 of the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act), Public Law 107-174; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6037. A letter from the Acting 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; Community Development Quota Program [Docket No.: 070718367-2061-02] (RIN: 0648-AV33) received April 19, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6038. A letter from the Special Assistant, Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission, transmitting the January 2012 Report to Congress and the Alaska State Legislature; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6039. A letter from the Secretary of the Commission, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Revised Jurisdictional Threshold for Section 8 of the Clayton Act received April 19, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6040. A letter from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Hazardous Materials Safety, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Hazardous Materials; Packages Intended for Transport by Aircraft [Docket No.: PHMSA-07-29364 (HM-231A)] (RIN: 2137-AE32) received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6041. A letter from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners [Docket No.: FMCSA-2009-0363] (RIN: 2126-AA97) received May 15, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6042. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's biennial report on evaluation, research and technical assistance activities supported by "The Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program"; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6043. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Examination of returns and Claims for refund, credit, or abatement; determination of correct tax liability (Rev. Proc. 201 2-21) April 19, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6044. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicare Program; Extension of Certain Wage Index Reclassifications and Special Exemptions for the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems (PPS) for Acute Care Hospitals and the Hospital Outpatient PPS [CMS-1442-N] received May 3, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

6045. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicare and Medicaid Program; Regulatory Provisions to Promote Program Efficiency, Transparency, and Burden Reduction [CMS-9070-F] (RIN: 0938-AQ96) received May 15, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

6046. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Memorandum of justification for the President's waiver of the restrictions on the provision of funds to the Palestinian Authority; jointly to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Appropriations.

6047. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the annual report on the National Security Education Program (NSEP) for 2011, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1906; jointly to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select) and Education and the Workforce.

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. LUCAS: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 1840. A bill to improve consideration by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders (Rept. 112-482). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. ISSA: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 373. A bill to amend the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 to ensure that actions taken by regulatory agencies are subject to that Act, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 112-483, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. ISSA: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 3433. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide transparency and require certain standards in the award of Federal grants, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 112-484). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Filed on May 17 (legislative day of May 16), 2012]

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 661. Resolution providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4310) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. 112-485). Referred to the House Calendar.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Rules, the Budget, and the Judiciary discharged from further consideration. H.R. 373 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

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. SCHAKOWSKY (for herself, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. FARR, Mr. GRIJALVA,

Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. NORTON, and Ms. RICHARDSON):

H.R. 5781. A bill to require all newly constructed, federally assisted, single-family houses and town houses to meet minimum standards of visitability for persons with disabilities; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 5782. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic device book style covers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 5783. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain textile device book style covers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 5784. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain textile device covers and stands; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 5785. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic device covers and stands; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DOLD:

H.R. 5786. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on -Phenyl-7-(4,4,5,6-tetrahydro-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)-quinoline (OSIP-690520, quinolone boronate); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. JONES:

H.R. 5787. A bill to provide for congressional oversight of United States agreements with the Government of Afghanistan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. REICHERT (for himself, Mr.

LARSEN of Washington, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. DICKS, Mr. McDERMOTT, and Mr. SMITH of Washington):

H.R. 5788. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Center Street West in Eatonville, Washington, as the "National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. POLIS (for himself, Ms. DELAULO, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. FILLNER, and Mr. CARNAHAN):

H.R. 5789. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to implement a certain interim final or final rule regarding nutrition programs under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. BACA:

H.R. 5790. A bill to provide for the transfer of the United States Postal Service surplus with respect to certain retirement benefits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. FLAKE:

H.R. 5791. A bill to provide for reasonable and necessary access to Wilderness Areas for the restoration of water sources, supplies, or infrastructure during a state of emergency declared by the Governor of a State; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California:

H.R. 5792. A bill to require a report on implementation of a termination of the ground combat exclusion policy for female members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. BASS of California (for herself, Mr. ANDREWS, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. BARTLETT, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mrs. BLACK, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. BRADY

of Pennsylvania, Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. CARDOZA, Mr. CARNAHAN, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. CLARKE of Michigan, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. COHEN, Mr. COOPER, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COSTA, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. CRITZ, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. DELAULO, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. FATAH, Mr. GRIMALVA, Mr. GRIMM, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. HAHN, Ms. HANABUSA, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. HOYER, Mr. HUELSKAMP, Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. LATHAM, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. MARINO, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. MATSUI, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. MOORE, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. NUNNELEE, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. PETERS, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. POLIS, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. RICHARDSON, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SCHILLING, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. STARK, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. WALZ of Minnesota, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. YARMUTH):

H. Res. 659. A resolution recognizing the goals and ideals of National Foster Care Month; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PALLONE:

H. Res. 660. A resolution expressing support for designation of December 12, 2012, as Foster Children's Day; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

MEMORIALS

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

206. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of Idaho, relative to Senate Joint Memorial No. 104 requesting that the President and the Congress reverse and reject the HHS regulation so that those who sponsor, purchase and issue health insurance plans should not be forced to violate their deeply held moral and religious convictions; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

207. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Idaho, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 103 urging the Congress to endorse and enact a Community Forest Trust pilot for Idaho; jointly to the Committees on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

208. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Idaho, relative to Senate Joint Memorial No. 105 urging the Congress to reexamine, reform and reauthorize the Endangered Species Act; jointly to the Committees on Natural Resources and the Judiciary.

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 Constitu-

tion to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Ms. SCHAKOWSKY:

H.R. 5781.

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

Clause 3 of Section 8 of Article 1 "To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes."

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 5782.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to lay and collect duties and to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8.

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 5783.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to lay and collect duties and to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8.

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 5784.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to lay and collect duties and to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8.

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 5785.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to lay and collect duties and to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8.

By Mr. DOLD:

H.R. 5786.

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

Article 1, Section 8, which states that, "The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises . . ."

By Mr. JONES:

H.R. 5787.

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 11, and Article II, Section 2, Clause 2 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. REICHERT:

H.R. 5788.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 "The Congress shall have Power to establish Post Offices and postroads"

By Mr. POLIS:

H.R. 5789.

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

Article I, Section 8, 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)

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 (relating to the power of Congress to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States).

By Mr. BACA:

H.R. 5790.

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