

4913. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — NRC Participation in the Development and Use of Consensus Standards received January 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4914. 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), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the former Liberator regime of Charles Taylor that was declared in Executive Order 13348 of July 22, 2004, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4915. A letter from the Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Direct Investment Surveys: BE-12, Benchmark Survey of Foreign Direct Investment in the United States [Docket No.: 110822526-1715-02] (RIN: 0691-AA80) received January 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4916. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Department of Defense, transmitting Pursuant to Section 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act and Section 1(f) of Executive Order 11958, Transmittal No. 20-11 informing of an intent to sign the Framework Memorandum of Understanding with Australia and Canada; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4917. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report including matters relating to the interdiction of aircraft engaged in illicit drug trafficking; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4918. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Pursuant to section 702 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for FY 2003 (Pub. L. 107-228), a report on the 2011 U.S.-Vietnam Human Rights Dialogue Meetings; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4919. A letter from the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, transmitting sixth lessons learned report entitled "Iraq Reconstruction: Lessons in Inspections of U.S.-funded Stabilization and Reconstruction Projects"; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4920. A letter from the Acting Executive Secretary, Agency for International Development, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4921. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4922. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting in accordance with Section 647(b) of Title VI of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY 2004, Pub. L. 108-199, the Commission's Report to Congress on FY 2011 Competitive Sourcing Efforts; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4923. A letter from the Chief Acquisition Officer, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-55; Small Entity Compliance Guidance [Docket: FAR 2011-0077, Sequence 7] received February 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4924. A letter from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the semiannual report on activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period of October 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4925. A letter from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the Annual Report of the Railroad Retirement Board for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2010; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4926. A letter from the Chair, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Standards of Conduct [Notice 2011-16] (RIN: 3209-AA15) received December 29, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on House Administration.

4927. 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; Sculpins in the Bering Sea Subarea of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No.: 101126521-0640-02] (RIN: 0648-XA857) received February 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

4928. 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; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 101126521-0640-02] (RIN: 0648-XA858) received February 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

4929. A letter from the Delegated Authority of the Staff Director, Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting notification that the Commission recently appointed members to the Hawaii Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4930. A letter from the Senior Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 30810; Amdt. No. 3450] received January 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4931. A letter from the Senior Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 30814; Amdt. No. 497] received January 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4932. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Annual Report On Child Welfare Outcomes 2006-2009, pursuant to Public Law 105-89, section 203(a) (111 Stat. 2127); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4933. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — United States Savings Bonds, Series EE and I received January 13, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4934. A letter from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting a draft bill to improve work incentive provisions; 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. LUCAS: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 2682. A bill to provide end user exemptions from certain provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and for other purposes, with an amendment (Rept. 112-343, Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. LUCAS: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 2779. A bill to exempt inter-affiliate swaps from certain regulatory requirements put in place by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, with an amendment (Rept. 112-344, Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. LUCAS: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 2586. A bill to refine the definition of swap execution facility in the provisions regulating swap markets added by title VII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, with an amendment (Rept. 112-345, Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. LUCAS: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 3336. A bill to ensure the exclusion of small lenders from certain regulations of the Dodd-Frank Act, with an amendment (Rept. 112-390). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. LUCAS: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 3527. A bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to clarify the definition of swap dealer, with an amendment (Rept. 112-391). 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. MARKEY (for himself, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. CLARKE of Michigan, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. STARK, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. HOLT, Mr. FILNER, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. NADLER, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. NORTON, Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, Mr. POLIS, Mr. HONDA, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. MALONEY, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. RICHARDSON, Mr. OLVER, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. ESHOO, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. TIERNEY, and Mr. FARR):

H.R. 3974. A bill to reduce the number of nuclear-armed submarines operated by the Navy, to prohibit the development of a new long-range penetrating bomber aircraft, to reduce the number of intercontinental ballistic missiles operated by the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ROGERS of Michigan (for himself and Mr. MARKEY):

H.R. 3975. A bill to amend title V of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to extend the provisions of the Pediatric Medical Device Safety and Improvement Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. VELAZQUEZ:

H.R. 3976. A bill to provide exporting assistance to small business concerns, and for

other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Small Business, Financial Services, and 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 Mr. HONDA:

H.R. 3977. A bill to consolidate, improve, and reauthorize programs that support families and victims in the justice system affected by domestic violence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CLEAVER:

H.R. 3978. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the dissemination of false information for the purpose of discouraging a student of an institution of higher education from registering to vote or voting in an election for Federal office, to require States which require individuals to present a photo identification as a condition of voting in elections for Federal office to accept a photo identification presented by a student which is issued by the school the student attends, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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. CHRISTENSEN:

H.R. 3979. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to extend to 2025 the production certificate program that allows refunds of duties on certain articles produced in United States insular possessions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER (for herself and Mr. SCHRADER):

H.R. 3980. A bill to amend the Small Business Act with respect to procurement center representatives and acquisition planning, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. KLINE (for himself, Mr. CRAVAACK, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. WALZ of Minnesota, and Mr. PETERSON):

H.R. 3981. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to expand the authority of the Secretary of the Army to loan or donate excess small arms to certain eligible organizations for funeral and other ceremonial purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:

H.R. 3982. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Health and Human Services from implementing certain rules relating to the health insurance coverage of sterilization and contraceptives approved by the Food and Drug Administration; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. OWENS (for himself, Mr. WELCH, Mr. GIBSON, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. TONKO, and Mr. HINCHEY):

H.R. 3983. A bill to permit aliens who lawfully enter the United States on valid visas as nonimmigrant elementary and secondary school students to attend public schools in the United States for longer than 1 year if such aliens reimburse the local educational agency that administers the school for the full, unsubsidized per capita cost of providing education at such school for the period of the alien's attendance; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PALLONE (for himself and Ms. DELAURO):

H.R. 3984. A bill to limit the quantity of arsenic and lead in beverages containing fruit juice pursuant to tolerances under section 406 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. SCHILLING (for himself and Ms. CHU):

H.R. 3985. A bill to amend the Small Business Act with respect to mentor-protege programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. TONKO:

H.R. 3986. A bill to provide relief for the victims of Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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

H.R. 3987. A bill to amend the Small Business Act with respect to small business concern size standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PITTS, and Mr. WAXMAN):

H.R. 3988. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. POLIS:

H. Res. 541. A resolution amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide that the House may not consider major legislation unless it addresses one issue at a time; to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. CLEAVER (for himself, Mr.

CLARKE of Michigan, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. CLAY, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. MOORE, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. WATERS, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. RUSH, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. BASS of California, Ms. SEWELL, Ms. NORTON, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. RICHARDSON, and Mr. WATT):

H. Res. 542. A resolution condemning the passage of legislation that would unduly burden an American citizen's ability to vote and opposing any State election law or proposed legislation that would have a disproportionate impact on vulnerable communities across the country; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. HOCHUL (for herself, Mr. HIGGINS, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Mr. REED):

H. Res. 543. A resolution honoring and remembering the victims of the crash of Continental Connection Flight 3407 in Clarence Center, New York, on February 12, 2009; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey (for himself, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. PIERLUISI, Mr. NADLER, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. COHEN, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. OWENS, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. SIRS, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. GRIMM, Mr. HANNA, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. REED, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. HOLT, and Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut):

H. Res. 544. A resolution congratulating the National Football League champion New York Giants for winning Super Bowl XLVI; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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. MARKEY:

H.R. 3974.

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

Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution

By Mr. ROGERS of Michigan:

H.R. 3975.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1: "The Congress shall have Power to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian tribes"

By Ms. VELÁZQUEZ:

H.R. 3976.

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. HONDA:

H.R. 3977.

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

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

By Mr. CLEAVER:

H.R. 3978.

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

Article I, Section 4, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Mrs. CHRISTENSEN:

H.R. 3979.

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

"Article IV, Section 3 of the Constitution which provides: 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 a particular State."

By Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER:

H.R. 3980.

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

The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the United States Constitution, which provides Congress with the ability to enact legislation necessary and proper to effectuate its purposes in taxing and spending.

By Mr. KLINE:

H.R. 3981.

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

This legislation ensures that the Secretary of the Army is provided the authority by the Congress to lend or donate excess small arms to eligible organizations in order for them to fulfill their mission of providing dignified burial honor services for veterans. Specific authority is provided by 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. LUETKEMEYER:

H.R. 3982.