Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 620 in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No.: 111207737-2141-02] (RIN: 0648-XC319) received December 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8699. A letter from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher/Processors Using Trawl Gear in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No.: 111207737-2141-02] (RIN: 0648-XC211) received December 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8700. A letter from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off the West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Pacific Whiting and Non-Whiting Allocations; Pacific Whiting Seasons [Docket No.: 100804324-1265-02] (RIN: 0648-XC302) received December 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8701. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Debris Removal: Eligibility of Force Account Labor Straight-Time Costs under the Public Assistance Program for Hurricane Sandy [Docket ID: FEMA-2012-0004] (RIN: 1660-AA75) received November 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8702. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—
Branded Prescription Drug Fee; Guidance for the 2013 Fee Year [Notice 2012-74] received November 29, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means

8703. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segement Rates [Notice 2012-66] received December 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8704. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Salvage Discount Factors and Payment Patterns for 2012 (Rev. Proc. 2012-45) received December 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8705. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 2012 Base Period T-Bill Rate (Rev. Rul. 2012-22) received December 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8706. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 2012-2013 Special Per Diem Rates [Notice 2012-63] received December 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); 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. SESSIONS: Committee on Rules. H. Res. 827. A resolution providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (Rept. 112–700). Referred to the House Calendar.

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. BERMAN (for himself and Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia):

H.R. 6644. A bill to establish a framework for effective, transparent, and accountable United States foreign assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Oversight and Government Reform, Armed Services, and Rules, 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. HERGER:

H.R. 6645. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to save and strengthen the Medicare program; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Rules, 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. BUCHANAN (for himself and Mr. JONES):

H.R. 6646. A bill to prohibit United States assistance to the country of Egypt; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Sam JOHNSON of Texas (for himself, Mr. BRADY of Texas, and Mr. MARCHANT):

H.R. 6647. A bill to rename section 219(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KUCINICH:

H.R. 6648. A bill to provide for the establishment of the Post Office Consumer Action Group, Incorporated; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself and Mr. BERMAN):

H.R. 6649. A bill to provide for the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign recipients; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. KUCINICH (for himself, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. MICHAUD, and Mr. MORAN):

H. Res. 828. A resolution calling for the unconditional release of Nasrin Sotoudeh and all prisoners of conscience in Iran, and the utilization by the United States of direct multilateral and bilateral diplomacy with Iran to address Iran's human rights situation; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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. BERMAN:

H.R. 6644.

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

This bill is introduced pursuant to the authority delineated in Article I section I,

which includes an implied power for the Congress to regulate the conduct of the United States with respect to foreign affairs.

By Mr. HERGER:

H.R. 6645.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1.

By Mr. BUCHANAN:

H.R. 6646.

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

Article I, Section 9 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas: H.R. 6647.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1.

By Mr. KUCINICH:

H.R. 6648.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 7 which provides Congress with the power to establish and regulate the United States postal system

By Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN:

H.R. 6649.

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

Article I, section 8 of the constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 181: Mr. TIERNEY.

H.R. 1448: Mr. DEFAZIO.

H.R. 1897: Mr. Franks of Arizona and Mr. Doggett.

 $H.R.\ 2104:\ Mr.\ Latham.$

H.R. 2595: Ms. ESHOO.

H.R. 2701: Mr. CICILLINE.

H.R. 2770: Mr. Cravaack.

H.R. 3014: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 3506: Mr. YODER.

H.R. 3627: Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 3652: Mr. GOODLATTE.

 $\rm H.R.~3713;~Mr.~Burton~of~Indiana~and~Mr.~Carnahan.$

H.R. 4209: Mr. WELCH.

H.R. 4216: Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California.

 $\rm H.R.$ 4336: Mr. Bilirakis.

H.R. 4390: Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 5741: Mr. WELCH.

H.R. 5943: Mr. Loebsack.

H.R. 6154: Mr. SCHWEIKERT and Mr. PASTOR of Arizona.

H.R. 6322: Mr. HARPER.

 $\rm H.R.$ 6364: Mr. Graves of Missouri and Mrs. Hartzler.

H.R. 6388: Ms. Zoe Lofgren of California.

 $\rm H.R.$ 6437: Mr. Connolly of Virginia and Ms. McCollum.

H.R. 6446: Mr. GUTHRIE.

H.R. 6490: Mr. Shuster, Mr. Graves of Georgia, Mr. Turner of New York, Ms. Pingree of Maine, Ms. Tsongas, Mr. Platts, Mr. Luetkemeyer, Mr. Bilirakis, Mr. Rogers of Michigan, Mrs. Capito, and Mr. Ackerman.

H.R. 6504: Mr. KEATING.

H.R. 6575: Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. KING of Iowa, and Mr. LOEBSACK.

H.R. 6590: Mr. CARNEY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, and Mr. RUSH

H.R. 6613: Mr. LYNCH.

H.R. 6628: Mr. MICHAUD and Mr. COSTA.

H. Con. Res. 116: Mr. McDermott.

H. Con. Res. 142: Mr. Terry, Mr. Guthrie, Mr. Nunnelee, Mrs. Blackburn, Mr. Olson, and Mr. Pearce.

H. Res. 193: Ms. Ros-Lehtinen, Mr. Berman, Mr. Engel, Mr. Jones, Mr. Olver, Mr. Towns, Mr. Markey, Mr. Keating, Ms. Bordallo, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Capuano, Mr. Kildee, Mr. Ackerman, Ms. Brown of Flor-

ida, Mr. Cicilline, Mr. Sires, Mr. Sherman, Mr. McGovern, Ms. Schwartz, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Miller of North Carolina, Mr. Welch, Mr. Peters, Mrs. Maloney, and Mr. Meeks.

H. Res. 824: Mr. Walberg, Mrs. Myrick, Mr. Mulvaney, Mr. Schock, Mrs. Lummis, Mr. Manzullo, Mr. Flores, Mr. Neugebauer, Mr. Smith of New Jersey, Mr. Brady of Texas, and Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas.