

You know what? Ronald Reagan was generous. I hope that each and every one of us can have that spirit of generosity, that magnanimous spirit that he had.

I'm going to quote him again and continue with his quote:

The legalization provisions in this act will go far to improve the lives of a class of individuals who now must hide in the shadows without access to many of the benefits of a free and open society. Very soon many of these men and women will be able to step into the sunlight, and ultimately, if they choose, they may become Americans.

□ 1920

I thank Ronald Reagan because I think he was very generous. It's very interesting how many Republicans are running away from his legacy on this, his legacy of generosity. You shouldn't be running away from it; you should be running towards it; you should be running to it. You will be like him if you have that spirit that he had, the spirit of a generous soul.

I know I have a few minutes left here, and I thank the Speaker very much for the opportunity that they've given me here. Normally I don't speak this long, but I thought it was important to come and hear another voice, not just the voice that condemns the immigrant, a voice that says there's millions and millions and millions of Americans out there, in fact, a great majority now, that want comprehensive immigration reform that's just, that matches up with our values of a generous people.

This is a statement of citizenship from the evangelical churches. This is the evangelical statement of principles for immigration reform.

Our national immigration laws have created a moral, economic, and political crisis in America. Initiatives to remedy this crisis have led to polarization and name calling, in which opponents have misrepresented each other's position as open borders and amnesty versus deportations of millions. This false choice has led to an unacceptable political stalemate at the Federal level at a tragic cost of human life, at tragic human cost.

As evangelical Christian leaders, they say:

We call for a bipartisan solution on immigration that respects the God-given dignity of every person, protects the unity of the immediate family, respects the rule of law, guarantees secure national borders, ensures fairness to taxpayers, establishes a path toward legal status and/or citizenship for those who qualify and those who wish to become permanent residents. We urge our Nation's leaders to work together with the American people to pass immigration reform that embodies these key principles and that will make our Nation proud.

There's heads of the evangelical immigration table, and it's very, very lengthy. In fact, I'm not going to go through and read it. I was tempted to do that because day after day I heard a few people come in here and you'd think that everyone in the United States was against immigration reform. In fact, just the opposite.

I could read that Leith Anderson, President of the National Association

of Evangelicals; Stephan Bauman, President and CEO of the World Relief; David Beckmann, President of Bread for the World; Noel Castellanos, CEO of Christian Community Development Association—I could go on and on and on because this thing goes on for pages. My trustee staff gave me pages and pages and pages of leaders in the evangelical churches that have signed on to this, so I won't go on and read all the names.

But I will say this. I believe we will come to an agreement on immigration. I do believe that. I honestly believe that. I do believe that the prayers that the faith communities are directing towards us, and especially towards the immigrants, are going to be heard. I believe that. I believe it deeply that this time we won't fail, that this time will be different, that this time, in fact, we will pass a law that is just, a law that treats immigrants as we're supposed to treat them, as it says in this Good Book. As our values as Americans, I think that we will have a just, a merciful immigration law, and I'm very excited about it.

I wanted to end with a story of a young woman that came and testified in California last year. I spoke about it in California and I want to speak about it here, because it's one of those incredible tragedies in life, and I called it, "Two Days in Mexicali." And, unfortunately, for many of us Californians, when we think about 2 days in Mexicali or 2 days in Tijuana, it's normally not the 2 days that I'm going to speak about here.

Instead, this was a young lady. This was a young lady who was born in Mexicali. Her mother was a prostitute and a drug addict. They lived in Los Angeles. The mother had been born and raised there. She went to Mexicali and then had a child in Mexicali.

She abandoned the child there, and this child's grandmother went and found her, brought her back to Los Angeles. And the grandmother was, I suspect, a very Christian, devout woman, and raised this child in a beautiful way, because for 13 years she developed into a very successful student and a very nice person.

We got to meet her because she was, I guess, 19 years old. She had turned 19, and she had not known that she was an undocumented person because that never came up. So, instead, she lived her life thinking she was an American citizen. Then she applied for college. And at that point, we hadn't changed the law yet as they had in Texas to allow an undocumented person to get in-State tuition or to get any kind of financial aid; so even though her mother was a prostitute and a drug addict who abandoned this little girl, this little girl grew up to be a wonderful person, and then the law oppressed her by not allowing her to continue.

We have a chance to change that for her and for so many other people. And I hope we listen to the pastors tomorrow, our evangelical brothers and sis-

ters that are going to come tomorrow to pray for us, to pray that we open up our hearts, pray that we will see the immigrant as the stranger in Matthew 25, that we will treat them in a way that is humane and that cherishes our values as Americans.

Madam Speaker, I thank you very much for the opportunity today to speak. I think this is a very important issue, an issue that I have great faith in God that will be resolved according to our best values; and our best values are those of mercy.

I thank you very much, and I yield back the balance of my time.

CURRENT EVENTS IN REVIEW

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. WALORSKI). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2013, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT) for 30 minutes.

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, we know that there is so much going on after the tragedy in Boston where not just Boston was attacked, but the United States was attacked by acts of sheer evil, perpetrators who did not care about innocent people and innocent lives. They thought it better to try to kill, maim, and destroy. What sick, twisted, evil human being or human beings would do that?

But we saw 9/11/2001 vividly clear. There actually are people who are so radical, so mean, so evil, so twisted that they actually believe they could make for themselves a way to paradise by killing innocent people, killing children not even old enough to have really done anything wrong, and that is what they obviously felt would make their great mark in the world. I can't help but strongly believe with all my heart that, unless they repent and find grace, they are in for a very rude awakening in the next life.

It is my hope, as well, that the individual or individuals who are responsible will be held to account with the death penalty that will be implemented behind closed doors, without cameras present, without an opportunity for them to yet insult or hurt anyone else. They've done enough.

□ 1930

We'll await to see who it is that ends up being responsible. Perhaps there's an announcement tonight, perhaps not.

I am glad that even though there was a person of interest, that the investigators did not rush to judgment on that, that they continue to explore every possible clue, every possible video and photograph, thoroughly doing a good job it certainly appears in law enforcement so that when the evil culprits are apprehended and they go to trial and their attorneys are trying to raise a reasonable doubt with a jury, that the investigation will have been so thorough and there will not have been an inappropriate rush to judgment such that a fair trial is had, due process is had, and then making sure that it is,

indeed, the perpetrator or perpetrators and then carry out a death penalty. I hope that is the justice that ends up being carried out.

In the meantime, we had a gun bill that was voted down, as I understand, 54-46 in the Senate. It did not pass. It did not have enough votes. But with all of our hearts having poured out and continuing to have prayers and sympathy and empathy for the people in Sandy Hook, in Newtown, we still had a bill that was being brought to the Senate floor that all of the people who supported the bill, as I heard, had basically admitted that bill would not have saved a single one of the precious, dear little children that were so violently gunned down in their schoolroom. It would not have saved the heroic administrator, a teacher, those who were trying to protect the children.

It just seems that if people in Washington or other parts of the world, New York City or wherever, are going to manipulate and use such a tragic situation, such sympathetic victims, they ought to at least, for goodness' sake, at least put forward a bill that if it had been implemented would have ensured that at least one of the children or adults killed at Sandy Hook would not have been killed.

Otherwise, let's put together laws and let's have this administration finally enforcing laws that both together will reduce violence. Pushing forward a bill that would not save any of the lives lost there or in Colorado is just inappropriate and manipulative, and the victims deserve better.

I still completely understand the families of the victims, their hearts, the struggle, the difficulty. I understand, but let's not manipulate them for an individual political agenda.

Now, I was on C-SPAN this morning with the host, Greta Brawner, a terrific host, as is Susan Swain. I've enjoyed being on with both of them. But we were talking about border security and a bill that the so-called "Gang of Eight" is putting forward. They're great people in the "Gang of Eight," and I know they mean well. They want good for this country.

I'm also reminded of a line that I was told back in the Soviet Union in the summer of 1973 when I got close to a Soviet college student and we had a free exchange of ideas. He never put down his country at all. Despite that, he was ordered not to talk to me anymore after we became good friends because that's what happens in a country where the government becomes too powerful: you can't even choose your friends any more.

At one point we were sitting alone visiting, and he tugged on my shirt and he said, We don't have material this good for our individual citizens. We wish we did, but we recognize you have so much more and better things for your citizens in the United States than we do here in the Soviet Union. He said, But you've got to understand that here in the Soviet Union, since we were

formed in 1918, we have had two major wars fought on our own soil that have kept this country just in turmoil, and we have had to spend most of our resources not on such nice clothes and good things for individuals, but in defending our country because we never had two oceans protecting us the way you have in the United States.

I was able to point something out to President Bush some years back when he was President and I was a freshman here. I said, Look, for most of this Nation's history, as the young Soviet college student told me when I was a college student, you have had two oceans protecting your country, the United States. He was exactly right. For most of our history, two oceans have protected the United States.

I remember having conversations in the eighties and nineties, as we would see violence in other places, whether it was Beirut or the terrible atrocities inflicted on Israelis on their own soil, the constant bombings and people being blown up just as occurred at the terrible and evil event in Boston.

People have actually said the thing about America is if somebody were to decide to be a suicide bomber in America, they'd have to cross either the Atlantic or the Pacific, and they'd have such a cooling-down time, that even though they might be whipped up into a rage before they left to fly to America, all of the hours of sitting quietly on a plane or days on a ship would be enough to cause them to pause; and when they got to America, they would think, Nah, I really didn't want to blow myself up after all. That seemed to work pretty well.

But then the radicalization of Muslims got to the point where they were actually able to radicalize people who could cross an ocean, who could come into America; and as the 9/11 hijackers, they could come in here and unthinkably live in America, enjoy our liberties, our freedoms, enjoy the company of neighbors, share food with their neighbors, have neighbors invite them over and share food, share things such as if they need a cup of flour or whatever it is, share and see the way Americans share and are such a friendly country. They were able to live here. And too many of them were here on visas, and the visas expired.

□ 1940

Since neither Republican nor Democratic administration was effectively enforcing visas when they expired, these 9/11, hate-filled hijackers were able to keep on the mask that they enjoyed America, enjoyed the liberties, while all the time looking for the opportunity to kill themselves in a manner that would most effectively kill the greatest number of innocent people they could in America. It's unthinkable for American citizens.

The only thing closely akin that came to mind after 9/11 was when some were talking about, Well, you know what, in World War II, the idea that

someone would get in an airplane and fly it toward an American ship and crash their plane into the ship, trying to sink the ship, and kill as many as possible was foreign to Americans. We couldn't believe there was such a thing as kamikaze pilots. Who would do such a thing? Who would have that little regard for life and such hatred for other life that you would do all you could, including giving up your own life, just to kill as many people as you possibly could who just want to live free? That was foreign during World War II. It was strange. We couldn't believe it. I remember being taught about that in public schools while growing up. The teachers thought it was so strange, and we thought it was strange.

Now we've seen that same type of mentality that was told to Thomas Jefferson when he went to negotiate with the Barbary pirates. In essence, he couldn't understand why these radical Muslims, the Barbary pirates, would be attacking American ships. As Jefferson and the other diplomats explained, We've never attacked your ships. We've never attacked you. We're not any threat to you. Why would you attack American ships?

It was explained, In our religion, we believe that, if you die killing infidels, which you Americans are and since you don't believe what we do, then we go to paradise.

Jefferson thought that so strange. He was so well read, so intelligent that he couldn't believe it. He got his own copy of the Koran, in English translation, and read it. He could not believe there was a religion that anybody believed was teaching that you would go to paradise by killing innocent people. That just seemed so strange.

I am extremely grateful that most Muslims don't believe that. They don't believe they should get themselves a ticket to paradise by killing innocent people. They believe in reason and in talking and in trying to work things out. They don't want to be ruled and reigned over by radical Islamists either. Amazingly, I've had people approach me, the last in DFW airport, who have come up and indicated:

Aren't you in Congress?

Yes.

I'm from Egypt.

The last was getting ice cream there at DFW. He said, Aren't you in Congress?

Yes.

He said, You're helping the wrong people.

He had family still in Egypt, and he said, You're helping the wrong people. You're helping the radicals. You're helping the Muslim Brotherhood. We don't want the Muslim Brotherhood running Egypt. We want freedom in Egypt. That's what we thought we were going to get, and then your government helps the wrong people. You help the radicals. You help the Muslim Brotherhood. Quit doing that. Please, tell others in Washington to quit doing that. Quit helping the radicals.

I was surprised. That was not the first time, but it was the most recent time that someone turned out who was from Egypt, a Muslim. They want to live in peace. They don't want radicals ruining their lives, and they think it's wrong for radical Muslim Brotherhood members to persecute, kill, inflict pain and suffering on Coptic Christians and Jews. They don't think that's appropriate. They may not agree with them, but they want to live in peace. Yet this administration continues to help the wrong people.

After I met the young man from Egypt at DFW, I find out we're sending tear gas to Egypt in order to help the radicals in the Muslim Brotherhood use it against people like Coptic Christians, like Jewish residents in Egypt, like moderate Muslims who disagree with the kind of radicalism that is being forced on them in Egypt. Then we find out this week that this administration is sending more tanks to be used to crush those who just want freedom in Egypt. They're moderate Muslims. They want to have freedom. They don't want radicals running their country.

Just like our allies, the Northern Alliance—the moderate Muslims in Afghanistan who fought—many gave their lives. They lost friends and family in fighting the Taliban on our behalf, and now this administration has figuratively thrown them under the bus, and it's trying to buy friendship and peace—literally buy it with money—with the Taliban. That's not how you deal with the Taliban. The Northern Alliance knew how to deal with them. We helped them with some arms. We embedded less than 500 Special Operations people in intelligence, and within 3 or 4 months, the Northern Alliance had defeated the Taliban.

Then as I learned in my first meeting with Northern Alliance leaders some years ago, we told them, Give us back the significant weapons we've given you because we're America. We will make sure you're safe now. We'll make sure Afghanistan is safe and peaceful now. So they turned in the weapons. They trusted the United States, and now they find an administration that had previously been offering to buy elegant, first-class international offices in Qatar, in the Middle East, to give the Taliban—who still wants to kill Americans and destroy our way of life—international standing, classing them up in their efforts to kill Americans and destroy our way of life.

And what did the Northern Alliance get for their loyalty for defeating the Taliban initially before we allowed them to re-surge? They got betrayed. They have been betrayed.

It was reported that the administration was offering to release some of the Taliban's murdering thugs and buy them elegant offices in Qatar. No preconditions. Just sit down and talk with us, and we will buy you stuff, and we will let your murdering thugs go from confinement. We've already done that.

One of them was on television over a year ago, telling the Afghanistan people on the most watched television station, If you do not fully support the Taliban, then you have one chance, and that is to come apologize to us and, under sharia law, beg our forgiveness and ask for our protection. Then you will fall under our protection, and you will not be killed. They explained to the nation of Afghanistan—the leader that this administration let out of confinement and who is now back leading the Taliban against us—that everyone in the world knows that the Americans have been defeated, and so their President is pulling everyone out. They're running away; they're scared; they're cowards; they're afraid of us. So once the cowardly Americans finish running away from us, in 2014, we, the Taliban, will be back in charge.

□ 1950

And so you've got a choice. You either come back, apologize, pledge devotion to us, ask forgiveness and protection, and under sharia law, we'll protect you. Otherwise, life may not last long once the Americans are gone.

The message has been going around the world. In Egypt when we turned—this administration, at least—turned its back on our ally, Mubarak. When Qadhafi had blood on his hands since 2003, he had been an important ally of this country, giving us more information about terrorists because it was in his interest to keep terrorists at bay, giving us more information about terrorism at times than any other countries were able to give us; and that was repaid by this administration—helped bomb Qadhafi and his troops, and support the radicals. Back at the time, some of us here on the floor were explaining, we don't know who all's involved in the revolution, but we know there are al Qaeda elements of this revolution. Let's stop. This is not a good idea until we know whose side we should be on.

But the world has seen this administration turns against its allies and tries to buy off its enemies. So if this administration were going to be consistent, it would seem that the thing to do, to expect for this administration to offer something, as the Clinton administration did to North Korea: hey, you know, we'll build you a nuclear plant; we'll do something if you just promise you won't develop nuclear weapons. Well, we saw how that worked. Madeleine Albright and President Clinton worked out a heck of a deal. We helped them get nuclear weapons because of the naivete of that administration, and now we're faced with a very difficult situation.

Also understand, if North Korea continues on this path and Iran is not stopped, that what North Korea has Iran may have, and then no one in Israel will be safe at all. And Israel is considered in their minds, in radical Islamist minds, the Little Satan, and we're the Great Satan.

I mentioned this morning on C-SPAN that we have been aware that not everyone that wants to come into this country wants to come for jobs. We know that. Most of the Hispanics are fantastic people. They want to work hard. They believe in God. They're devoted to family. And that is a bit of a generalization, but it's my hope that that Hispanic culture coming into this country will help bring a resurgence and make us the strong country we once were when it came to family values and an acknowledgement that "In God We Trust," as is our national motto.

Or as Ben Franklin said during the Constitutional Convention:

I've lived, sir, a long time, and the longer I live the more convincing proofs I see of this truth: God governs in the affairs of men.

And as Franklin said:

If a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it possible an empire could rise without His aid? We've been assured in the sacred writing, that unless the Lord build the House, they labor in vain that build it. I firmly believe that.

So I welcome people. And I've met Christian friends that I just fell in love with in West Africa. And one of them, an elderly black West African, wonderful, wonderful man, a heart as big as all outdoors, but he said, please tell others in Washington to quit getting weaker because if America grows weak, yes, we know where we go when we die, but if America grows weak, we have no chance of peace. We have no chance of a good life in this world. So please stop getting weaker. It looks like you're getting weaker.

He started off by saying, We were excited when you elected your first black President, but please urge him to quit getting weaker in America. We need you to be strong.

And I mentioned this morning that we even are aware that we've had al Qaeda, we've had radical Islamists try to disguise themselves as Hispanics and sneak across our southern border because Americans have never been worried about our Hispanic friends being radical and wanting to kill innocent people to go to paradise. That's not part of the Hispanic culture.

And I've been amazed since then that the left wing always wants to try to distort, to create a story out of a twisted—I have to choose my words wisely because it'll be interesting to see what the twisted mind of the left does—but the ignorance was apparently only coupled by laziness by left wing media, so they go nuts trying to paint me as a bigot when obviously they are the bigots, and not only bigots but they're lazy because if they had bothered to even turn on their computer and use it for something besides mean-spirited, twisted, distorted untruths, they could have found this story from the "American Thinker" back on August 2, 2010. In the story by Norah Petersen, it points out, it discusses that:

In 2001, the brother of a Hezbollah military chief illegally entered the United States by

crossing the Mexican border. He then settled in Dearborn, Michigan, and raised money for Hezbollah.

In 2002, illegal immigrants from Lebanon who were thought to have ties to Hezbollah were smuggled into the United States via the Mexican border, according to a congressional report:

"In December 2002, Salim Boughader Mucharraffille, a cafe owner in Tijuana, Mexico, was arrested for illegally smuggling more than 200 Lebanese illegally into the United States, including several believed to have terrorist ties to Hezbollah."

The congressional report also revealed that the FBI has confirmed that persons from al Qaeda-linked nations have been known to disguise themselves as Hispanic immigrants:

"Federal Bureau of Investigation Director Robert Mueller has confirmed in testimony 'that there are individuals from countries with known al Qaeda connections who are changing their Islamic surnames to Hispanic-sounding names and obtaining false Hispanic identities, learning to speak Spanish, and pretending to be Hispanic immigrants.'"

These are the kinds of things that our enemies are doing to try to bring down this Nation. I hope the administration will wise up and do something about it.

With that, Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. SHIMKUS (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today and April 18 on account of personal matters.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 58 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, April 18, 2013, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1139. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's Evaluation of the TRICARE Program for Fiscal Year 2013, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1073 note; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1140. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Daniel P. Bolger, United States Army, and his advancement on the retired list in the grade of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1141. A letter from the Acting Chairman, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities, transmitting the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities' thirty-seventh annual report on the Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Program for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

1142. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting

Transmittal No. 13-03, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1143. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting extension of the waiver of Section 907 of the FREEDOM Support Act, Pub. L. 107-511, with respect to assistance to the Government of Azerbaijan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1144. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's fiscal year 2012 annual report 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.

1145. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2012 Annual Report pursuant to Section 203, Title II of the Notification and Federal Anti-discrimination and Retaliation (No FEAR) Act of 2002; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1146. A letter from the Chairman, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting the Board's FY 2012 Buy American Act report; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1147. A letter from the Director, National Science Foundation, transmitting the Foundation's annual report for FY 2012 prepared in accordance with Title II 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.

1148. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Senate's Resolution of Advice and Consent to the Treaty with Australia Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation (Treaty Doc. 110-10) activities report; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1149. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification of VOR Federal Airways V-68, V-76, V-194, and V-548 in the Vicinity of Houston, TX [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0231; Airspace Docket No.: 13-ASW-7] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received April 9, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1150. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Middletown, OH [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0651; Airspace Docket No.: 12-AGL-7] received April 9, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1151. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; West Union, IA [Docket No.: FAA-2011-1434; Airspace Docket No.: 11-ACE-27] received April 9, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1152. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Decorah, IA [Docket No.: FAA-2011-1433; Airspace Docket No.: 11-ACE-26] received April 9, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1153. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class E Airspace; Tecumseh, NE

[Docket No.: FAA-2012-1098; Airspace Docket No.: 12-ACE-5] received April 9, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1154. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class E Airspace; Beeville, TX [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0821; Airspace Docket No.: 12-ASW-8] received April 9, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1155. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Superior, WI [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0656; Airspace Docket No.: 12-AGL-5] received April 9, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1156. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of VOR Federal Airway V-233, Springfield, IL [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0179; Airspace Docket No.: 05-AGL-6] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received April 6, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1157. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company Turbofan Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2012-1288; Directorate Identifier 2012-NE-37-AD; Amendment 39-17403; AD 2013-06-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 9, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1158. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Robinson Helicopter Company Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2012-1088; Directorate Identifier 2012-SW-005-AD; Amendment 39-17987; AD 2013-05-15] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 9, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1159. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Hughes Helicopters, Inc., and McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Systems (Type Certificate is currently held by MD Helicopters, Inc.) Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0890; Directorate Identifier 2011-SW-019-AD; Amendment 39-17388; AD 2013-05-16] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 9, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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. COURTNEY (for himself, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. DELAUNO, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, and Mr. SCHRADER):

H.R. 1590. A bill to amend the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004 to include farmed shellfish as specialty crops; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CARTER (for himself, Mr. BURGESS, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. MCCAUL, and Mr. RANGEL):

H.R. 1591. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of an undiagnosed diseases network, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.