Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

174. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. ACT 19-565, "Department of Motor Vehicles Reciprocity Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

175. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. ACT 19-573, "Parkside Parcel E and J Mixed-Income Apartments Tax Abatement Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

176. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. ACT 19-574, "Streetscape Reconstruction Second Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

177. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. ACT 19-579, "Senator Charles H. Percy Plaza Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

178. A letter from the Executive Director, Mississippi River Commission, Department of the Army, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act, for the Mississippi River Commission covering the calendar year 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

## 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. BROOKS of Alabama (for himself, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. JONES, and Mr. SOUTHERLAND):

H.R. 443. A bill to increase the statutory limit on the public debt by \$1 trillion upon the adoption by Congress of a balanced budget Constitutional amendment and by an additional \$1 trillion upon ratification by the States of that amendment; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PRICE of Georgia (for himself, Mr. Ryan of Wisconsin, Ms. Jenkins, and Mr. Sessions):

H.R. 444. A bill to require that, if the President's fiscal year 2014 budget does not achieve balance in a fiscal year covered by such budget, the President shall submit a supplemental unified budget by April 1, 2013. which identifies a fiscal year in which balance is achieved, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.

> By Mr. DENT (for himself and Mr. TONKO):

H.R. 445. A bill to authorize a National Heritage Area Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. DEUTCH:

H.R. 446. A bill to establish the National Criminal Justice Commission; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FRANKS of Arizona (for himself, Mr. Lipinski, Mr. Peterson, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. AMODEI, Mrs. BACH-MANN, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BENISHEK, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mrs. BLACK, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. Bonner, Mr. Boustany, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Bucshon, Mr. CARTER, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. Cole, Mr. Conaway, Mr. Cotton, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. Daines, Mr. Desjarlais, Mr. Duncan of Tennessee, Mr. DUNCAN of South Mrs. ELLMERS, Carolina. FARENTHOLD, Mr. FINCHER, Mr. FLEM-ING, Mr. FLORES, Mr. FORBES, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. GARRETT, GOHMERT, Mr. GOWDY, Mr. GRAVES of Georgia, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, Mr. GRIMM, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mr. HALL, Mr. Harris, Mrs. Hartzler, Mr. HUELSKAMP, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, Mr. Hultgren, Ms. Jenkins, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. JONES, Mr. JOR-DAN, Mr. KELLY, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. LATTA, Mr. LONG, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. McCaul, Mr. McKinley, Mr. Mica, Mr. Miller of Florida, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. MULVANEY, Mr. Neugebauer, Mr. Nugent, Mr. NUNNELEE, Mr. OLSON, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. Pearce, Mr. Pitts, Mr. Poe of Texas, Mr. Pompeo, Mrs. Roby, Mr. Roe of Tennessee, Mr. Rogers of Alabama, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Schweikert. Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. STEWART, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and Mr. Yoder):

H.R. 447. A bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or race, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GOSAR:

H.R. 448. A bill to require that the prevailing wage utilized for purposes of subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Davis-Bacon Act), be determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. MILLER of Florida:

H.R. 449. A bill to provide an amnesty period during which veterans and their family members can register certain firearms in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Veterans' 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. POSEY:

H.R. 450. A bill to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to bring the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection into the regular appropriations process, and for other purposes: to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 451. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 North Brevard Avenue in Cocoa Beach. Florida, as the "Richard K. Salick Post Office"; 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 ioint resolution.

By Mr. BROOKS of Alabama: H.R. 443.

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

Article I, Section 8. The Congress shall have Power . . . to pay debts . . .

Article V. The Congress, whenever two thirds of both Houses shall deem it necessary, shall propose Amendments to this Constitution . .

By Mr. PRICE of Georgia:

H.R. 444.

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

This bill makes changes to existing law relating to Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1, which provides that, "The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts, and Excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts, and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States," and Article 1, Section 9, Clause 7, which provides that, "No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law, and a regular Statement and Account of the Receipts and Expenditures shall be published from time to time.

Section 1105 (a), of title 31, United States Code, requires the president to submit to Congress each year his budget request no later than the first Monday in February for the upcoming fiscal year. It is within the purview of the Congress to provide oversight and guidance to the president regarding requirements of this statute should, or should he not, meet these obligations as required by law.

By Mr. DENT:

H.R. 445.

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

section 8 of article I of the Constitution

By Mr. DEUTCH:

H.R. 446.

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

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the U.S. Constitution and Clause 18 of Section 8 of Article I of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. FRANKS of Arizona:

H.R. 447.

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

(1) the Commerce Clause;

(2) section 2 of the 13th amendment;

(3) section 5 of the 14th amendment, including the power to enforce the prohibition on government action denying equal protection of the laws; and

(4) section 8 of article Ito make all laws necessary and proper for the carrying into execution of powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States.

By Mr. GOSAR:

H.R. 448.

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

Because this legislation adjusts the formula the federal government uses to spend money on federal contracts, it is authorized by the Constitution under Article 1, Section 8. Clause 1. which grants Congress its spending power.

By Mr. MILLER of Florida:

H.R. 449.

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

Article I, Section 8 & Amendment II to The Constitution of the United States

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 450.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 451

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 7 (power to establish Post Offices) and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 (the Necessary and Proper Clause).

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 36: Mrs. Capito, Mr. Guthrie, Mr. Rogers of Michigan, and Mr. Hultgren.

H.R. 149: Mr. WOODALL.

H.R. 164: Mr. JOYCE.

H.R. 165: Mrs. Christensen, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Young of Florida, and Mr. Runyan.

H.R. 178: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 262: Mr. Posey and Mr. KIND.

H.R. 309: Mr. Culberson.

H.R. 324: Mr. RUSH and Mr. CICILLINE.

H.R. 335: Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Ms. Eshoo, and Mr. Scalise.

H.R. 366: Mr. GIBSON, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. JONES, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. Schiff, Mr. Larson of Connecticut, Mr. Young of Florida, Mr. Heck of Nevada, Ms. Matsui, and Mr. Payne.

H.R. 377: Ms. Gabbard, Ms. Brownley of California, Ms. Bordallo, Ms. Titus, Mr. Cartwright, Mrs. Negrete McLeod, Mr. Payne, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Owens, and Mr. Foster.

H.J. Res. 11: Mr. LONG and Ms. GRANGER.

 $\rm H.$  Con. Res. 10: Ms. Wasserman Schultz and Mr. McGovern.

H. Res. 30: Mr. Braley of Iowa, Mr. Sires, Mrs. Davis of California, Ms. Matsui, Ms. Hanabusa, Mr. Loebsack, Mrs. Christensen, Mr. Bishop of New York, Mr. Visclosky, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Holt, Mr. Perlmutter, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Cicilline, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Cleaver, Ms. Bonamici, Ms. Norton, Ms. Wasserman Schultz, and Ms. Jenkins.

H. Res. 47: Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. KING of New York, and Ms. GABBARD.