

amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4440) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax benefits for the Gulf Opportunity Zone and certain areas affected by Hurricane Rita and Wilma, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House insist upon its amendment to the bill (S. 1932) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 202(a) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006 (H. Con. Res. 95), disagreed to by the Senate, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House:

For consideration of the Senate bill, and the House amendment thereto, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. PUTNAM, Mr. WICKER, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. DELAY, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. EDWARDS, and Mr. FORD.

From the Committee on Agriculture, for consideration of title I of the Senate bill and title I of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. LUCAS, and Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota.

From the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for consideration of title VII of the Senate bill and title II and subtitle C of title III of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. MCKEON, and Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California.

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of title III and title VI of the Senate bill and title III of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. UPTON, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, and Mr. DINGELL.

From the Committee on Financial Services, for consideration of title II of the Senate bill and title IV of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. OXLEY, Mr. BACHUS, and Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts:

Provided, that Mr. NEY is appointed in lieu of Mr. BACHUS for consideration of subtitles C and D of title II of the Senate bill and subtitle B of title IV of the House amendment.

From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of title VIII of the Senate bill and title V of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SMITH of Texas, and Mr. CONYERS.

From the Committee on Resources, for consideration of title IV of the Senate bill and title VI of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. POMBO, Mr. GIBBONS, and Mr. RAHALL.

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consider-

ation of title V and division A of the Senate bill and title VII of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. LOBIONDO, and Mr. OBERSTAR.

From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of sections 6039, 6071, and subtitle B of title VI of the Senate bill and title VIII of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. THOMAS, Mr. HERGER, and Mr. RANGEL.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2892. An act to amend section 255 of the National Housing Act to remove the limitation on the number of reverse mortgages that may be insured under the FHA mortgage insurance program for such mortgages.

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that today, December 16, 2005, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 335. An act to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4925. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Solicitation of Federal Civilian and Uniformed Service Personnel for Contributions to Private Voluntary Organizations—Sanctions Compliance Certification" (RIN3206-AK71) received on November 28, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4926. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems; Change in the Survey Cycle for the Harrison, Mississippi, Nonappropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Area a" (RIN3206-AK96) received on November 28, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4927. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the Adams-Denver, CO, Nonappropriated Fund Wage Area" (RIN3206-AK91) received on November 28, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4928. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Letter to Chairman Cropp and Members of the Council of the District of Columbia on the Auditor's Concerns Regarding Matters that May Adversely Affect the Financial Operations of the Washington Convention Center"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4929. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pur-

suant to law, a report entitled "Audit of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1A for Fiscal Years 2003 Through 2005, as of March 31, 2005"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4930. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Building a High-Quality Workforce: The Federal Career Intern Program"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4931. A communication from the Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act/Inspector General Act Reports for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4932. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report to Congress on Grants Streamlining; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4933. A communication from the Chairman, National Mediation Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act of 1982 for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4934. A communication from the Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law a report relative to the Inspector General Act of 1978 for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4935. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Report on Management Decisions and Final Actions on Office of Inspector General Audit Recommendations for the period ending March 31, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4936. A communication from the Chairman, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act and the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1978 for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4937. A communication from the Chairman, United States International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Inspector General Report for the period April 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4938. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period of April 1, 2004 through September 30, 2004; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4939. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Border and Transportation Security Policy, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report of the Task Force on the Prohibition of Importation of Products of Forced or Prison Labor from the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4940. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period of April 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4941. A communication from the Chairman of the United States Postal Service,