

H. RES. 738

Whereas in recognition of the severity of the crimes associated with domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking, on September 13, 1994, President Bill Clinton signed the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (hereinafter referred to as "VAWA") as part of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994;

Whereas subsequent reauthorizations of VAWA include the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 (hereinafter referred to as "VAWA 2000"), signed by President Bill Clinton, and the Violence Against Women Act and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 (hereinafter referred to as "VAWA 2005"), signed by President George W. Bush;

Whereas VAWA was the first comprehensive legislative package designed to end violence against women;

Whereas the protections and provisions afforded by VAWA were subsequently expanded and improved by VAWA 2000, which created a legal assistance program for victims and expanded the definition of domestic violence crimes to include dating violence and stalking;

Whereas VAWA and interventions funded by that Act have reduced the incidence of domestic violence, have lowered sexual assault rates, and have averted societal costs by reducing the need for emergency and medical responses;

Whereas VAWA has succeeded in bringing communities together to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including combined efforts by law enforcement, prosecutors, courts, victim services, and community-based programs to develop long-term plans for addressing such crimes locally and statewide;

Whereas VAWA has provided crucial Federal support to Indian tribes to combat the problems of sexual and domestic violence in Indian country;

Whereas VAWA brings innovative practices to the field by funding demonstration projects and training, and supporting the development of specialized courts and police teams;

Whereas the Sexual Assault Services program, authorized by VAWA 2005, enabled the 1,300 rape crisis centers in the United States to reduce waiting lists, reach out to underserved communities, and provide more comprehensive services to survivors of sexual assault;

Whereas VAWA provides a means for many victims of domestic violence who were dependent on their batterers for immigration status to self-petition and obtain legal immigration status on their own, and to access legal services to flee violence and recover from trauma;

Whereas organizations throughout the United States have received grants under VAWA to provide legal assistance to young victims of dating violence;

Whereas VAWA has provided crucial Federal support for efforts by criminal justice officials and victim service providers to hold offenders accountable and to keep stalking victims safe;

Whereas the continued support of VAWA and subsequent Acts combating violence against women is essential to best serve the 3,400,000 individuals in the United States who are stalked each year; and

Whereas September 13, 2009, marked the 15th anniversary of the enactment of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) recognizes the 15th anniversary of the enactment of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994;

(2) continues to support the goals and ideals of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 and its subsequent reauthorization Acts; and

(3) recognizes the need to continue vigorous enforcement of the provisions of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 and similar Acts and programs to deter and prosecute crimes of violence against women.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. KAPTUR) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. FORBES) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. POE of Texas, for 5 minutes, September 22.

Mrs. BACHMANN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MILLER of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WOLF, for 5 minutes, September 16.

Mr. NEUGEBAUER, for 5 minutes, today and September 16.

Mr. TIM MURPHY of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah, for 5 minutes, September 16 and 17.

Mr. DEAL of Georgia, for 5 minutes, September 16.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FORBES, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. FOXX, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at their request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. GOHMERT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 26 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, September 16, 2009, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

3352. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of an officer to wear the authorized insignia of the grade of major general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3353. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report to Congress specifying each Reserve component the additional items of equip-

ment that would be procured and additional military construction projects for FY 2010, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 10543(c); to the Committee on Armed Services.

3354. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a quarterly report of withdrawals or diversions of equipment from Reserve component units; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3355. A letter from the Acting Deputy Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on the action taken by the department to identify and evaluate at all the stages of the acquisition of commercial computer software, pursuant to Public Law 110-417, section 803; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3356. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Capital Adequacy Guidelines; Small Bank Holding Company Policy Statement: Treatment of Subordinated Securities Issued to the United States Treasury under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 [Regulation Y; Docket No. R-1356] received September 8, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

3357. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation and Regulatory Law, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Refrigerated Bottled or Canned Beverage Vending Machines [Docket No.: EERE-2006-STD-0125] (RIN: 1904-AB58) received September 11, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3358. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's FY 2008 annual financial report to Congress required by the Prescription Drug User Fee Act of 1992 (PDUFA); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3359. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting Food and Drug Administration's Report to Congress "Changing the Future of Drug Safety: FDA Initiatives to Strengthen and Transform the Drug Safety System"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3360. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the National Emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism that was declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3361. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting a report to Congress on the intent to impose additional foreign policy export controls on transfers (in-country) to certain persons specified on the Entity List; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3362. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting a periodic report on the National Emergency caused by the lapse of the Export Administration Act of 1979 for February 26, 2008 — February 25, 2009; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3363. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 09-44, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3364. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 09-50, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3365. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 09-51, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3366. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 09-47, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3367. 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. 10-09 informing of an intent to sign a Project Agreement with Australia; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3368. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, certification regarding the proposed transfer of major defense equipment from the Government of Canada (Transmittal No. RSAT-08-1657); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3369. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Zimbabwe that was declared in Executive Order 13288 of March 6, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3370. A letter from the Executive Director, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's Year 2009 Inventory of Commercial Activities, as required by the Federal Activities Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3371. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3372. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's fiscal year 2008 annual report prepared in accordance with Section 203(a) of the Notification and Federal Employee Anti-discrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act), Public Law 107-174; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3373. A letter from the Office of Human Resources, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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3377. A letter from the Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a report entitled, "Fiscal Year 2008 Accounting of Drug Control Funds"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3378. A letter from the Deputy Associate Director for Management and Administration, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3379. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a copy of a report required by Section 202(a)(1)(C) of Pub. L. 107-273, the "21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act", related to certain settlements and injunctive relief, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 530D Public Law 107-273, section 202; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

3380. A letter from the Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting Constitutionality of Certificates of the Non-Existence of Records; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

3381. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Status Report on the Herger-Feinstein Quincy Library Group Forest Recovery Act Pilot Project for Fiscal Year 2008; jointly to the Committees on Natural Resources and Agriculture.

3382. A letter from the Administrator, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's report on the Preliminary Damage Assessment information for the state of Texas; jointly to the Committees on Homeland Security, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Appropriations.

3383. A letter from the Administrator, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's report on the Preliminary Damage Assessment information on FEMA-1851-DR for the State of Tennessee, pursuant to Public Law 110-239, section 539; jointly to the Committees on Homeland Security, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Appropriations.

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:

Ms. MATSUI: Committee on rules. House Resolution 745. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3246) to provide for a program of research, development, demonstration, and commercial application in vehicle technologies at the Department of Energy (Rept. 111-255). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. POLIS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 746. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3221) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes (Rept. 111-256). 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. REHBERG:

H.R. 3563. A bill to authorize the Crow Tribe of Indians water rights settlement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD (for herself, Mr. HINOJOSA, and Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia):

H.R. 3564. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to strengthen the provisions relating to child labor; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania: H.R. 3565. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dry adhesive copolyamide pellets; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania: H.R. 3566. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Orgasol; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NADLER of New York (for himself, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. POLIS of Colorado, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. KILROY, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. ISRAEL, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. STARK, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. WELCH, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. WEINER, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. OLVER, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. MARKEY of Massachusetts, Ms. NORTON, Mr. HODES, Mr. ACKERMAN, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. HONDA, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. WATSON, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. CLARKE, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. HOLT, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. FILNER, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut, Mr. PASTOR of Arizona, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. McGOVERN, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. SESTAK, Mr. BERNAN, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. TONKO, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. MATSUI, Ms. HARMAN, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. HIMES, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. DOYLE, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Mr. FARR, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. MAFFEI, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. McCOLLUM, and Mr. WU):

H.R. 3567. A bill to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 3568. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage charitable contributions of real property for conservation purposes by Native Corporations; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SCALISE:

H.R. 3569. A bill to provide a sunset date for all presidentially appointed czars, to require Senate confirmation of those positions, and to provide that appropriated funds may not be used to pay for any salaries and expenses associated with those positions; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mr. BOUCHER, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia):

H.R. 3570. A bill to amend title 17, United States Code, to reauthorize the satellite statutory license, to conform the satellite and cable statutory licenses to all-digital transmissions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BOEHNER (for himself, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. PENCE, Mr. ISSA, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. AKIN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina, Mr. BARTLETT, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. BISHOP