

rule XXIII oath executed by them when they come to the committee office to review that material. If a Member has not yet signed the rule XXIII oath, but wishes to review the documentation provided by the DCI, the committee staff can administer the oath and see to it that the executed form is sent to the Clerk's office.

Additionally, the committee's rules require that before Members are given access to any classified material in the committee's possession, that Members must execute a nondisclosure agreement indicating that they have been granted access to particularly described classified material; they are familiar with both the rules of the House and the committee rules with respect to the classified nature of information contained in the documents they are given for review; and they understand fully the limitations placed on them with respect to disclosure of that information.

The committee requires that this nondisclosure agreement be signed by any Member seeking to review the documents each time the Member seeks to gain access to the documents.

Those are the conditions with which the committee agreed to make this material available to any Member. If there are any questions, please call the committee and we will be glad to elaborate.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CHAIRMAN OF PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF CLASSIFIED ANNEX AND SCHEDULE OF AUTHORIZATIONS

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I wish to announce to all Members of the House that the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence ordered the bill, H.R. 2417, the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004, reported favorably to the House with an amendment. The committee's report will be filed later today, Tuesday, June 17, under the unanimous consent just agreed to.

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to announce that the Classified Schedule of Authorizations and the Classified Annex that accompanies H.R. 2417 will be available for review by Members at the offices of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence in Room H-405 of the Capitol beginning any time after the bill is filed. The committee office will open during regular business hours for the convenience of any Member who wishes to review this material prior to its consideration by the House. I anticipate that H.R. 2417 will be considered on the floor of the House next week.

I would recommend that Members wishing to review the Classified Annex contact the committee's Director of Security to arrange a time and date for that viewing. This will assure the availability of committee staff to assist Members who desire that assist-

ance during their review of these classified materials.

I urge Members to take some time to review these classified documents before the bill is brought to the floor, in order to better understand the recommendations of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Much of this material cannot be discussed on the floor.

The Classified Annex to the committee's report contains the committee's recommendations on the intelligence budget for fiscal year 2004 and related classified information that cannot be disclosed publicly.

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It is important that Members keep in mind the requirements of rule XXIII, clause 13 of the House. That rule only permits access to classified information by those Members of the House who have signed the oath set out in clause 13 of House rule XXIII.

I would advise Members wishing to review the classified annex and its classified schedule of authorizations that they must bring with them a copy of the rule XXIII oath signed by them when they come to the committee office to review that material.

If a Member has not yet signed that oath, but wishes to review the classified annex and schedule of authorizations, the committee staff can administer the oath as a service for that Member and see to it that the executed form is sent to the Clerk's office. We would be happy to do that. Additionally, the committee's rules require that Members execute a nondisclosure agreement indicating that they have been granted access to the classified annex and classified schedule of authorizations, and that they are familiar with both the rules of the House and the committee with respect to the classified nature of information contained in the classified annex and the limitations on the disclosure of that information.

I am sorry for all the bureaucratise, but we take very seriously our responsibility to keep this matter properly provided for and safeguarded.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON S. 342, KEEPING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SAFE ACT OF 2003

Mr. HOEKSTRA. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 276, I call up the conference report on the Senate bill (S. 342) to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to make improvements to and reauthorize programs under that Act, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FLAKE). Pursuant to rule XXII, the conference report is considered as having been read.

(For conference report and statement, see proceedings of the House of June 12, 2003 at page H5307.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Michigan (Mr. HOEKSTRA) and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. HOEKSTRA).

Mr. HOEKSTRA. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased that we are here today to discuss the conference agreement to S. 342, the Keeping Children and Families Safe Act of 2003, which reauthorizes and improves the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, CAPTA; the adoption opportunities program; the Abandoned Infants Act; and the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act.

We began this process of reauthorizing CAPTA and FVPSA in the last Congress. The conference report before us today shows our ongoing bipartisan effort and our commitment to ensuring that programs aimed at the prevention of child abuse and neglect and family violence continue.

The conference report before us continues to emphasize the prevention of child abuse and neglect before it occurs. It promotes partnerships between child protective services and private and community-based organizations, including education and health systems, to ensure that services and linkages are more effectively provided. It retains important language from the House bill to appropriately address a growing concern over parents being falsely accused of child abuse and neglect and the aggressiveness of social workers in their child abuse investigations.

It retains language to increase public education opportunities that strengthen the public's understanding of the child protection system while teaching the appropriate manner for reporting suspected incidents of child maltreatment. It also retains language to foster cooperation between parents and child protective service workers by requiring caseworkers to inform parents of the allegations made against them, and improves the training opportunities for child protective services personnel regarding the extent and limits of their legal authority in order to protect the legal rights of parents and legal guardians. These are important additions to our Nation's child abuse laws that should not be overlooked.

This conference report retains the House language requiring States to implement policies and procedures to address the needs of infants born and identified as being affected by illegal substance abuse or withdrawal symptoms resulting from prenatal drug exposure, including the requirement that health care providers involved in the delivery or care of these infants notify child protective services of the occurrence of such condition and develop a plan of safe care for such infants.