

Redefinition of the North Dakota and Duluth, MN, Appropriated Fund Wage Areas (RIN: 3206-AJ78) received March 31, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

7937. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safe Harbor Agreements and Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances; Revisions to the Regulations (RIN: 1018-AI85) received April 29, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7938. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Oil and Gas and Sulphur Operations in the Outer Continental — Relief or Reduction in Royalty Rates — Deep Gas Provisions (RIN: 1010-AD01) received April 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7939. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — New Mexico Regulatory Program [NM-043-FOR] received April 9, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7940. A letter from the Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Determination of Threatened Status for the Beluga Sturgeon (*Huso huso*) (RIN: 1018-AI11) received April 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7941. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Trip Limit Reduction [Docket No. 001005281-0369-02; I.D. 031804A] received April 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7942. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 031124287-4060-02; I.D. 040804B] received April 21, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7943. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 031124287-4060-02; I.D. 040504B] received April 22, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7944. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Amendment 16-2 [Docket No. 031125288-4102-02; I.D. 110303A] (RIN: 0648-AR35) received April 22, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7945. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Update on Future of the EP Determination Letter Program [Announcement

2004-32] received April 23, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7946. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Request for Comments on Revenue Procedure for Pre-Approved Plans [Announcement 2004-33] received April 23, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7947. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Split-Interest Trust Distributions to Private Foundations: Distributable Amount [Notice 2004-36] received April 23, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7948. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Distributions to Private Foundations from Trusts or Estates; Net Investment Income [Notice 2004-35] received April 23, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7949. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Partner's Distributive Share: Foreign Tax Expenditures [TD 9121] (RIN: 1545-BD11) received April 23, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7950. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property (Rev. Rul. 2004-44) received April 23, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7951. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Guidance under Section 1502; Stock Basis after a Group Structure Change [TD 9122] (RIN: 1545-BC28) received April 27, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7952. A letter from the Regulations Officer, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Title II Cost of Living Increases in Primary Insurance Accounts (RIN: 0960-AF14) received April 22, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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:

Mr. LINDER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 619. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4227) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend to 2005 the alternative minimum tax relief available in 2003 and 2004 and to index such relief for inflation (Rept. 108-477). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. HYDE: Committee on International Relations. H.R. 4011. A bill to promote human rights and freedom in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 108-478, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 4011. Referral to the Committee on the Judiciary extended for a period ending not later than July 6, 2004.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. TURNER of Texas (for himself, Mr. ANDREWS, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. DICKS, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. HOYER, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. PALLONE, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas):

H.R. 4258. A bill to promote technological advancements that will dramatically reduce the timeframe for the development of new medical countermeasures to treat or prevent disease caused by infectious disease agents or toxins that, through natural processes or intentional introduction, may pose a significant risk to public health now or in the future; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and Homeland Security (Select), 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. PLATTS (for himself, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. TOWNS, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. COX, and Mr. TURNER of Texas):

H.R. 4259. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to improve the financial accountability requirements applicable to the Department of Homeland Security, to establish requirements for the Future Years Homeland Security Program of the Department, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security (Select), 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 Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, and Ms. LEE):

H.R. 4260. A bill to provide for the reduction of mercury in the environment; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CUMMINGS (for himself, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. WYNN, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Ms. LEE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RUSH, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, and Mr. BALLANCE):

H.R. 4261. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make grants to States to establish statewide screening programs for children who are 5 to 7 years of age to prevent reading failure; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. GUTIERREZ (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. BERMAN, Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. FARR, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. FILNER, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. BACA, Mr.