

Compromising the safety of foods that we put on our tables is not an option. Compromising the consumer products that we buy for our families is not an option. Compromising the security of Americans will not be an option. Compromising cannot be an option that we turn to because we lack the power. H.R. 3967 and my amendments to H.R. 4040 will restore some of that power to Americans.

Mr. Speaker, again I started off this talk with the notion that when people are out shopping this Christmas season and they pick up something and they look at the underside of it and it says "made in China," maybe that translates into "use at your own risk." I do encourage consumers to beware, be aware of where the products are made, be careful about the products that you bring into your home.

Mr. Speaker, we can no longer sit back and allow these harmful products to reach our homes. All Americans, myself included, have a choice to take a stance individually and to not buy products if we don't think they're safe. And if you see "made in China," remember, that's a warning label. But we can go a little further than that. Stricter rules are necessary. Funding, increased funding, increased personnel are necessary. And now it's up to Congress. It's up to Congress to create and enact those rules.

Mr. Speaker, you've been very indulgent, and I'm going to yield back the balance of my time.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ALTMIRE). Members are reminded to address their remarks to the Chair.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. MATHESON (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today and December 12 on account of attending a family funeral service.

Mr. LUCAS (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of inclement weather.

Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of personal reasons due to family matters.

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of travel delays.

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. WOOLSEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CUMMINGS, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. SUTTON, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. PELOSI, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DINGELL, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, December 17 and 18.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today and December 12, 13, 14, 17, and 18.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, December 17 and 18.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, for 5 minutes, December 12.

Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. FOXX, for 5 minutes, today.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Ms. Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 710. An act to amend the National Organ Transplant Act to provide that criminal penalties do not apply to human organ paired donation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3315. An act to provide that the great hall of the Capitol Visitor Center shall be known as Emancipation Hall.

H.R. 3688. An act to implement the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement.

H.R. 4118. An act to exclude from gross income payments from the Hokie Spirit Memorial Fund to the victims of the tragic event at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 42 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, December 12, 2007, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

4414. A letter from the Acting Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis Rural Development Utilities Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Servicing of Water Programs Loans and Grants (RIN: 0572-AB59) received October 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4415. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Dried Prunes Produced in California: Increased Assessment Rate [Docket No. AMS-FV-07-0103; FV07-993-1 FR] received November 27, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4416. A letter from the Chairman and CEO, Farm Credit Administration, Farm Credit

Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Disclosure to Shareholders; Annual Report to Shareholders (RIN: 3052-AC37) received December 6, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4417. A letter from the Under Secretary for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting the Selected Acquisition Reports (SARs) for the quarter ending September 30, 2007, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2432; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4418. A letter from the Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's report on the cost effectiveness of the Defense Commissary Agency and specified nonappropriated fund instrumentalities purchasing commercial insurance, as directed by Section 663 of the John Warner National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4419. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting a report concerning plutonium storage at the Savannah River Site, located near Aiken, South Carolina, pursuant to Public Law 107-314, section 3183; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4420. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility [Docket No. FEMA-7997] received November 26, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4421. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Final Flood Elevation Determinations — received October 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4422. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations [Docket No. FEMA-B-7738] received October 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4423. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations [Docket No. FEMA-B-7745] received November 26, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4424. A letter from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Credit Union Bylaws — received November 26, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4425. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — REVISIONS TO RULES 144 AND 145 [Release No. 33-8869; File No. S7-11-07] (RIN: 3235-AH13) received December 7, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4426. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — EXEMPTION OF COMPENSATORY EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTIONS FROM REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 [Release No. 34-56887; International Series Release No. 1305; File No. S7-14-07] (RIN: 3235-AJ91) received December 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4427. A letter from the Attorney, Office of Assistant General Counsel for Legislation and Regulatory Law, Department of Energy,