

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

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

H.R. 940. Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than May 18, 2012.

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. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. TURNER of Ohio, Mr. MCINTYRE, and Mr. MORAN):

H.R. 4344. A bill to authorize the Secretary of State to assist the International Commission on Missing Persons to establish a permanent and international legal status with the immunities required for operations globally, to continue the financial support of the United States of the ICMP in their work to assist governments and other authorities in locating and identifying persons missing as a result of conflicts or natural or man-made disasters, to support the investigation of genocide and mass atrocities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. SHIMKUS (for himself, Mr. ROSS of Arkansas, Mr. SULLIVAN, and Mr. PETERSON):

H.R. 4345. A bill to provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. PINGREE of Maine (for herself, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. NORTON, Mr. HOLT, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

H.R. 4346. A bill to amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act so that labels on packages of meat include a statement on whether the meat contains lean finely textured beef; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 4347. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Robert Boochever United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. CLEAVER (for himself, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, and Ms. WILSON of Florida):

H. Res. 612. A resolution honoring the life of 17-year-old, Trayvon Martin, urging the State of Florida and others to repeal the Stand Your Ground law, and admonishing involved parties to pursue full investigations into all homicides, regardless of defenses asserted by the offender; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey:

H.R. 4344.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clauses 1, 3 and 18 of the Constitution

The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts, and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vest-

ed by this Constitution in the Government of the United States or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. SHIMKUS:

H.R. 4345.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3: To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

By Ms. PINGREE of Maine:

H.R. 4346.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause III of the Constitution

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 4347.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 17 of the Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 9: Mr. CHABOT, Mr. WESTMORELAND, and Mr. MCCARTHY of California.

H.R. 640: Mr. CRITZ, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.

H.R. 885: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 2412: Ms. BONAMICI.

H.R. 3001: Mr. HEINRICH and Ms. BONAMICI.

H.R. 3364: Mr. JACKSON of Illinois.

H.R. 3591: Ms. RICHARDSON, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. MCCOLLUM, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 3910: Mr. MCNERNEY.

H.R. 4110: Mr. BILIRAKIS.

H.R. 4133: Mr. KELLY.

H.R. 4134: Mr. MCINTYRE.

H.R. 4169: Mr. MICHAUD and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 4232: Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. LATOURETTE, and Mr. SIREN.

H.R. 4234: Mr. BERG.

H.R. 4295: Ms. GRANGER, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, and Mr. CHABOT.

H.R. 4301: Mr. HUELSKAMP.

H. Con. Res. 87: Mr. RYAN of Ohio and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.